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WEATHER FORECAST
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Barometer 80.25

December 19, 1913, Temperature a.m. 53, p.m. 58
Humidity " 78, " 69

December 19, 1913, Temperature a.m. 66, p.m. 64,
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TELEGRAMS.

"CALAMITY HOWLERS."

STERNLY DENOUNCED.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph."]

London, Received December 20.
Reuter's correspondent at Washington states that Mr. Champ Clark, Speaker in the House of Representatives, left the chair last evening for the purpose of replying to various Republican members who had been predicting dire consequences from the Administration's Bills, especially the Currency Bill. He denounced them as the greatest calamity howlers in the country, and said there seemed to be a conspiracy on their part to make people believe that business was going to the dogs.

THE ALSACE AFFAIRS.

LIEUT. FOERNSTER SENTENCED.

London, Received December 20.
Reuter's correspondent at Strasbourg states that a court martial has sentenced Lieut. Foernster to 48 days' imprisonment for the recent assault on a cripple shoemaker.

[A message received on the 4th inst. stated:—The "National Zeitung," describing the latest Zaber affair, says that children booted the soldiers. Lieutenant Foernster tried to seize them. The youngsters bolted, and the troops then turned to a group of youths who were looking on. The latter ran off, but one, a cripple, was captured. Resisting his captors, he was seized and dragged, bleeding and half-conscious, to the Mayor's office, where he was examined for two hours.]

ALBANIAN FRONTIER.

BRITISH PROPOSAL ACCEPTED.

London, Received December 19.
Reuter's correspondent at Rome says it is semi-officially announced that the International Commission on the delimitation of the southern frontier of Albania has concluded its labours.

It has unanimously agreed to the line proposed by Great Britain, which was in conformity with the views of Italy and Austria-Hungary.

MORE POLICE PAY.

ITS OBJECT FAILS.

London, Received December 19.
The half-crown increase in the wages of London police is confined to men above 15 years' service. The increase was designed to deter the men from joining a Union which outsiders are promoting, but it has had the contrary effect, and there are shoals of applications for membership from the men under 15 years' service, who are dissatisfied.

SHAKESPEARE MEMORIAL.

THEATRE SITE SECURED.

London, Received December 19.
It is stated that the Shakespeare Memorial Committee has obtained a site at Bloomsbury for the National Theatre, which will cost \$60,000.

TELEGRAMS.

NEW ZEALAND STRIKE.

EMBARGO WITHDRAWN.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph."]

London, Received December 20.
Reuter's correspondent at Sydney states that owing to the New Zealand Labour Federation declaring the strike at an end, the Australian embargo on New Zealand trade is withdrawn.

Practically Ended.

London, Received December 20.
Reuter's correspondent at Wellington wires that the strike is practically ended. The Seamen have decided to resume work and the Coalminers Union is the only other important union still on strike, but it is expected to follow.

Splendid Patriotism.

At a meeting at Wellington held for the purpose of acknowledging the services of the special constables, the Attorney-General said he could not say what might have happened but for their splendid patriotism. The Hon. Mr. F. W. Massey, the Prime Minister, warmly concurred and said that nothing had ever impressed them more than the response of the citizens in town and country.

LEEDS STRIKE.

ONE POSSIBLE RESULT.

London, Received December 19.
As a result of the Corporation's ultimatum, the tramwaymen at Leeds have resolved to return to work. It is expected that as a result of the strike the Corporation will partially contract out certain public utilities.

Later.

The Strikers' Executive on Thursday evening passed a resolution to hold out.

A striker assaulted a volunteer gas worker who was returning home, fracturing the man's skull and jaw.

"THE INDIAN PERIL."

"TIMES" POINTED COMMENTS.

London, Received December 20.
The Times has begun a series of articles headed "The Indian Peril," dwelling on the dangers threatening the security of British rule.

The leading article, after discussing the general situation, remarks that the excitement about the treatment of Indians in South Africa is more widespread and formidable than the combination of the younger combative Mohammedans with the Hindu National Congress, as it embraces all classes and communities and raises issues which in time will cause British statesmen far more anxiety than all the "bombs and plots of Indian anarchists."

The Times wishes that the Commission which General Botha has very properly appointed had included men more widely known throughout the Empire. The stories of ill-treatment of Indians were unquestionably exaggerated, but they should be investigated by a Commission whose findings would be accepted by India unquestionably.

Hongkong Christian Association.

The Rev. J. L. Bacon will speak at the meeting of the Hongkong Christian Union at St. Paul's College on Monday next at 5.30 p.m.

TELEGRAMS.

HOLLOWAY BOMBS.

PRISON NOT DAMAGED.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph."]

London, Received December 19.
The bombs which exploded at Holloway Gaol damaged the outer wall, but did not touch the buildings. Two long fuses were found ending in the back garden of a house which is used as the Suffragettes' guardroom. The house was empty.

Only a Noise.

London, Received December 20.
The bomb explosion was the work of an amateur, and was merely intended to make a big noise.

KING AND PREMIER.

A SECOND AUDIENCE.

London, Received December 20.
Mr. Asquith was granted a second audience this week by His Majesty who signed a proclamation for the reassembling of Parliament on February 10.

MAP OF THE WORLD.

ASSUMING PERMANENT FORM.

London, Received December 20.
The second international congress for drawing up a map of the world, upon a scale of six inches to the mile, closed yesterday in Paris. The map has now received practically permanent form.

NAVAL MISSION TO CHINA.

NOT TO SAIL AT PRESENT.

London, Received December 20.
The British Naval Mission to China will not sail at present as Captain Christian has hitherto secured the services of only three naval officers and six are required. It is improbable that the Mission will be completed till the beginning of the new year.

PHILIPPINE LUMBER BIDS.

Government Has 95,000 Acres of Timber to Dispose of.

Washington, November 10.—An invitation to enter lumber business in the Philippines was extended to-day by the Bureau of Insular Affairs of the War Department to bidders who, if successful will have to show a certified check for at least \$50,000 before they can go into it. The Government has 95,000 acres of timber, containing approximately 20 billion board feet of lumber, which it is anxious to have out down and marketed. It is willing to grant a twenty-year concession to bring about this result.

"In the four principal types of forest embraced in the area," says the Bureau officials, "much valuable material can be secured from even the least desirable type and the most valuable type, according to figures of the Bureau, will provide a handsome profit for an outlay comparatively small in relation to the value of the timber which is to be exploited."

The prospectus declares the area "presents ideal logging conditions," and points out that China and Japan afford markets for virtually all the lumber produced.

TELEGRAMS.

CHINESE RAILWAYS.

THE NEW AGREEMENT.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph."]

London, Received December 19.
Reuter's Peking correspondent says that Baron Finckh, representing Messrs. Paulings, of London, has signed an agreement for the financing and constructing of a railway from a point opposite Shasi, in the Yangtze Valley, to Shui Ngyifu in Kweichow, with a branch line from Chansafu to Changsha, the capital of Hunan. The agreement requires the endorsement of the Minister of Finance.

[A special cable from our Shanghai correspondent yesterday contained the above information.]

FREIGHT REPORT.

Messrs. Lank and Rogge's Circular dated December 20 states:—

When commenting on the market in our last Circular, we stated that the market was dull all round, particularly from Bangkok, especially affecting Chinese timecharterers, and we expressed the hope that, for the benefit of all concerned, we might see a little more activity, even if but for short duration. This has, however, not materialized; on the contrary the last fortnight has witnessed almost a panic among many Chinese timecharterers, who owing to the stoppage of the Chinese Siamese and other Banks and the consequent closing down of quite a number of rice-mills at Bangkok, have experienced considerable difficulty in meeting their obligations.

One big local Chinese bank closely connected with the above mentioned bank and also interested in rice-mills, and timechartered steamers has failed and some vessels, still employed on the Bangkok run, are expected to be thrown on the market ere long. With the present light demand for tonnage, the outlook for the next month or probably till after Chinese New Year, which falls due on the 26th of January, cannot be said to be at all promising.

The North reports that conditions are unchanged, but, if anything, the market has a downward tendency.

Saigon-Hongkong.—Only a few fixtures have come to pass on basis of 13-14 cents per picul, and with a declining rice-market here as well as in Japan chartering operations are at a standstill for the moment. Saigon reports that the old stock is now nearly exhausted, and that new grain is only arriving in very small parcels.

The new crop, although undoubtedly very abundant, is later than anticipated, and regular supplies are not looked for before middle of January. Rice exports from Saigon this season amount to total 1,095,700 tons as compared with 528,389 tons during the same period last year. Quotation stands for January-February shipment: \$4.00 per picul against \$5.15 for corresponding period last year. It is estimated that the quantity available for export next year will approximate 1,200,000 tons.

Saigon-Philippines.—A solitary fixture has somewhat unexpectedly come to pass on basis of 34/37 to 1, option 2 ports discharge. Up to a month ago the Rice-crop prospects in the Philippines looked extremely bright. Since then, however, little rain has fallen and the continued drought at this critical time when the rice is entering its final stage of growth has seriously affected the crops and in some sections not more than one-half of the normal crop is expected.

Locusts have also of late played havoc in some districts, the insects having appeared in devastating swarms in many provinces.

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No official statement has yet been made on the subject, but it is now accepted that the Vice-President will henceforth reside in Peking and will give the moral support of his presence to the Central Government. Speculation as to the reasons for this important change is brisk.

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TELEGRAMS.

FIRE INSURANCE.

GOOD STROKE FOR LLOYD'S.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph."]

London, Received December 19.
Reuter's New York correspondent says the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company have placed a fire insurance of \$22,000,000 (gold) with Lloyd's in London, thus saving \$27,000. The action is the result of the sharp advance in the rates on American Companies.

particularly in those North of Manila, and have done great damage to the growing crop. Taking it on a whole it is estimated probably that the new crop will be something like 30 per cent. short of last year.

Saigon-Java and Outward.—Tonnage offering both ways for second half December—first half January loading was not placeable.

Bangkok.—The numerous boats on the regular run are expending the greatest difficulty in obtaining cargo and whatever is going forward is readily accepted at 27 1/2 cents per picul for loading inside, 18 1/2 cents from outside the bar. Owing to the failure of several rice-mills, as already reported, and the declining local rice market, business is at a deadlock for the present.

To carry salt from Honohoe Bay to Hongkong and Macao a small steamer was secured for further trips at \$3. per ton.

Daisy-Canton.—After the closing of Newchwang, regular liners have been chartered for part-loads at 35/38 cents per picul, according to quantity offered.

Timecharterers.—The Norwegian S.S. "Kjeld" 910 Tons Net Reg. has been re-chartered for Hai-phong run for about one month on basis of \$200. per day, German S.S. "Marie" 1169 tons net reg. 12 months (extension) at \$11,000. per month for Mexico trade, and British S.S. "Mansang" 1844 tons net reg. for a roundtrip hence to Australia and back on private terms.

Coal freights from Japan to this have been very quiet, owing to low stocks in Japan and scarcity of tonnage offering. Prices have considerably advanced and tonnage for prompt loading is in demand at the enhanced rates paid lately.

Fixtures reported:—Mojji/Hongkong \$2.—\$2.25, Honyay/Canton/Swallow \$2.10, and Port/Courbet/Swallow \$2.30, per ton.

TELEGRAMS.

The Russian Proposal.

Peking, Dec. 15.

The Russian proposal to withdraw the foreign troops has given rise to much cautious comment both among foreigners and Chinese.

The observation of one Cabinet Minister is worth quoting: "You damned foreigners are all alike; you kick us one moment and throw us a lump of sugar the next."—N. O. Daily News Correspondent.

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TELEGRAMS.

VICE-PRESIDENT LI.

HIS SALARY FIXED.

[Continental Lloyd Service.]

Peking, Received December 18.
The remuneration of Vice-President Li Yuan-hung has been fixed at \$360,000 a year, which is half that of the President's.

CHINESE FINANCES.

A YEAR'S EXPENSES.

Peking, Received December 18.
The cost of calling up the Political Committee is estimated at \$38,000, while the current expenses are estimated at \$360,000 a year.

BANKRUPTCY COURT.

Solicitor's Right to Make an Application Questioned.

Sir William Bees Davies, Chief Justice, sat in bankruptcy this morning, the examinations being conducted by the Official Receiver, Mr. H. A. Nesbit.

Mr. Harding applied for a receiving order re. Ko Won-long, petitioning creditor.

Mr. L. D'Almada appeared for a number of creditors.

Mr. Harding:—I appear for the petitioning creditor.

Mr. L. D'Almada:—I appear for a number of creditors whose debts amount to about \$45,000, and I am instructed to ask for an adjournment pending certain affidavits.

Mr. Harding:—I submit my friend has no *locus standi* in this matter of a petitioning creditor.

Mr. D'Almada:—My clients have reason to believe there are no substantial assets to distribute amongst the creditors, because he has done certain acts which if the matter was brought before the Court, no receiving order will be made.

Mr. Harding:—My friend has no *locus standi*.

His Lordship:—I don't think you have any *locus standi*.

The Official Receiver:—I, my Lord, ask for an adjournment.

His Lordship:—You, as Official Receiver have *locus standi*, but you have not Mr. D'Almada.

The Official Receiver said he thought it had been the practice in that Court to hear the solicitors informally.

Mr. D'Almada quoted an authority to substantiate his right to make his application.

His Lordship:—What is your position, Mr. Official Receiver?

The Official Receiver:—In order to give me time to ascertain if there are substantial assets.

Mr. Harding:—I will submit the Official Receiver is not entitled to say anything because he is not yet in the case. He may apply after a receiving order is made, but until that occurs he is not in this case at all.

His Lordship:—How on earth, if that is so, is the Court to ascertain whether there are sufficient substantial assets to justify a receiving order? There is nothing unreasonable in granting him an adjournment to satisfy himself that there are sufficient substantial assets.

Adjourned until next bankruptcy day.

China Coast Service.

A meeting of captains and officers of the mercantile marine is to be held at King Edward Hotel to-morrow morning, about eleven, for the discussion of matters concerning the China coast service. Mr. W. Wilmer, secretary of the China Coast Officers' Guild, will be present.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

TELEGRAMS.

CONDENSED.

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Mr. Speaker Clark has made a vigorous reply to the critics of the Democratic Administration's Bills.

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General Chang Hsun, resigning his new post as Inspector of the Yangtze, demands 300,000 Taels before leaving Nanking.

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NEWS.

"1888" appears to-day on Page 7.

A short story appears to-day on an "extra."

The Telegraph acrostic will be found in this issue.

Log Book and Commercial appears on page 8 and 10 respectively.

"Round the Shops" will be found on pages 4 and 5 and should be found useful.

DON'T FORGET.

TO-DAY.

Victoria Theatre, 9.15 p.m.

Bijou Theatre, 9.15 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Victoria Theatre 9.15 p.m.

Bijou Theatre 9.15 p.m.

Monday, December 22.

Auction of Crown Land, P. W. D.—8 p.m.

Wednesday December 24.

Boxing at City Hall—9 p.m.

Children's Performance—quarry Bay 8 p.m.

Friday December 26.

Chinese Y.M.C.A. Sports.

Wednesday December 31.

Kowloon Dock Ball—9 p.m.

Friday January 2.

Tai Koo Club Ball—8.45 p.m.

Monday January 5.

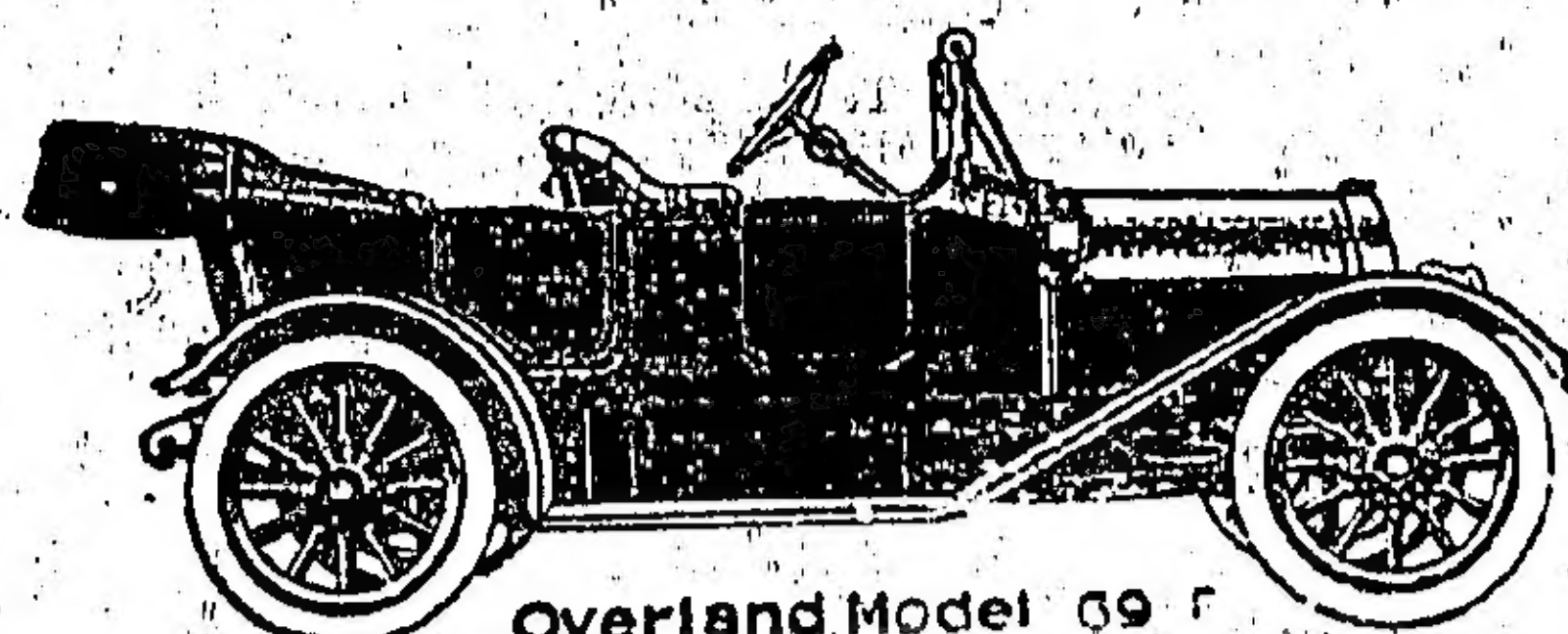
Peak School Opens.

Tuesday, January 6.

G. Fenwick and Co. Ltd., in liquidation—General meeting of shareholders, No. 5, Queen's Road Central—noon.

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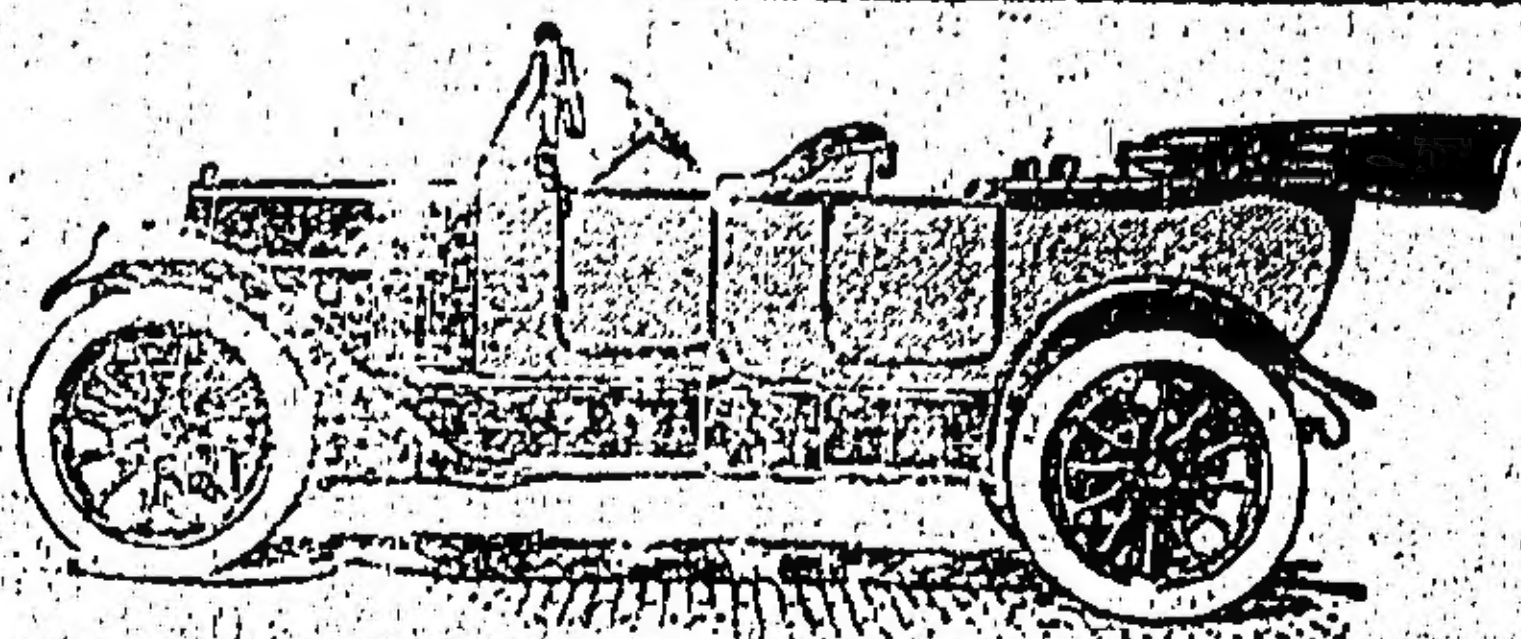
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CONTEMPORARIES.

South China Morning Post.

Prevention of Piracy.
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proaches, the traffic on the river
steamers is annually swelled by
by numbers of wealthy Chinese,
who, in returning from America,
and elsewhere, try to reach home
for the national festivities. This
fact is well known to bad char-
acters on the waterfront, and has
increased the anxiety of foreign
captains of steamers for the
safety from violence at the hands
of pirates of the lives and
property under their charge.
The regulations recently issued
by the Police authorities relative
to the construction of a grille
around the bridge, the main-
tenance of an armed guard of
four men, etc., while originally a
matter of some little complaint,
have now been thoroughly dis-
cussed and the captains agree
that the grille will present an
obstruction to the operations of
pirates which will give the cap-
tain of a vessel so provided op-
portunity to signal for assistance
and to decide upon what defen-
sive and offensive measures to
adopt instead of being taken
completely by surprise.

Daily Press

Vice-President Li.

During the past two years he
has had a difficult position to fill
at Wuhan, but he has filled it
in a manner which has inspired
public confidence, to an extent
which may perhaps be considered
to weaken the authority of the
President. At any rate it seems
to us that there is something to
be said for the suggestion con-
tained in the following paragraph
which we extract from a telegram
sent from Peking by the cor-
respondent of the N. D. Daily
News:—"President Yuan Shih-
kai now has the most popular
man in China under his own eye
and has temporarily filled his
place with a northern soldier.
Whatever may be the true in-
wardness of the Wuhan coup,
the result is an increase of power
to the President and a real op-
portunity to consolidate his posi-
tion at the strategic centre of the
country." But the atmosphere
of mystery surrounding General
Li's transfer to Peking suggests
that conditions are not so settled
in China yet as they appear to be,
and the future career of the Vice-
President in the Capital will be
watched with close interest.

China Mail.

"All Torpedoes" v. "All Big
Guns"
In a short article, published in
a recent issue of the *Review of
Maritime*, General Caniberti,
the well-known Italian naval
expert, has forwarded a scheme
for a new type of torpedo boat,
information regarding which
should prove valuable to our
naval men and to others in-
terested in the navy. In his
opening statements General
Caniberti recalls the "all-big
guns" principle which was advo-
cated ten years ago, at the time
when the armament of battleships
consisted of a number of small
and medium-calibre guns, and
only four large calibre ones. The
method of reasoning which led to
this "principle" appeared strange
at first; now, however, battle-
ships generally embody the "all
big guns" principle, although
they have also a formidable
secondary armament. Bearing
this fact in mind, another radical
modification in the armament of
some ships may well, he thinks,
be put forward at the present
time. After referring to the
constant struggle between arma-
ment and armour, one result of
which has been a large increase
in the displacement, the author says
that the defence of the hull of a
battleship against torpedoes is a
more difficult problem than the
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SHORT STORY.

THE HONEYMOON

BY WALLACE IRWIN.

"Maple-Honey-Kid!" Brian Blaney leaped from Pullman seat 25 and thus addressed himself to the sombre orbs of light becomingly set in the features of the very new Mrs. Blaney, that lady being comfortably cushioned in Pullman seat 27.

"Sugar-boy, dear!" responded the "previously" matter-of-fact Betsy. Then, with a momentary lapse into sanity, she whispered: "Brian, the whole car's looking at us!"

Responsive to the warning Brian made a sudden movement, and several handfuls of rice clattered to the floor from various parts of his clothing.

"Darn that god-speed stuff!" he grumbled. "The more I see of rice the worse I hate Japanese."

He removed his hat and shook therefrom a miniature hailstorm. The entire car tittered—there was an excursion of rather young Boston school-boys returning from San Bruno. Brian blushed to the roots of his auburn hair, then his cheeks wrinkled to a broad grin. His was one of those natures to whom publicity in any form can never be quite distasteful.

"Enjoy yourselves, girls!" he smiled, bowing to his appreciative audience. On the lapel of his coat hung a bright blue button nearly as large as a saucer and labelled: "Boost For San Bruno." This token, as well as an enormous lamp-shaped floral emblem which reposed between their chairs, bearing the word "Boost" in white caruncles, was the gift of the San Bruno Boosters' Club, which organization had accompanied them to the station with enthusiasm, brass band, and the city's surplus of "over-shoes."

Brian's salute to the assembled school-boys was well received by all save Betsy, who sat for several minutes with her eyes averted toward the whirling landscape.

"Sugar," she said at last, "I wish you'd take that 'shing'—pointing to the rooster emblem—and put it in your pocket. And I wish you'd give that"—indicating the floral emblem—"to the porter. It reminds me of an Elk funeral."

"Now, Candy-bag," protested Brian, in a hurt tone, "we ain't ashamed of the home town, are we?"

"You 'at we aren't!" agreed Betsy, firmly. "And that's why I think it's up to us not to make the home town ridiculous."

"Porter!" said Brian, with one hand beckoning the menial and the other pointing out the floral emblem. "Bear away the tribute!"

He slipped the booster button quietly into his pocket.

"You old-dandy thing!" Thus she rewarded him. He sat awhile in unnatural silence.

"Funny!" he said, at last. "Those are the very words Obrey O'Malley said to me this morning."

"What words?"

"Don't make the home town ridiculous. You know, when the Boosters took us to the train, O. W. Ketchum pulled my arm loose at the socket while kittenish Sid Eldritch poured eighteen cents' worth of rice down my collar?"

Well, old Obrey O'Malley let me aside for a minute. Uncle Obe's got more sense in his upper right-hand eye-lash than Ketchum can hire in his whole office force. Brian, says Obrey, 'you're going to see N' York for the first time,

It's a great big town full o' things a young man can slip up on and fall over. I hope you won't think me impudent, but I want to give you a word of advice—don't be a hick."

"What's a hick?" asked Betsy. "A hick's a dressed-up Rube out hunting for a shell game," he defined it. "I've lived in N' York for forty years, O'Malley went on, 'and I know it from Wall Street to Waldorf. Take it from me, it's up to the stranger coming fresh from the clover to sing low, because every inhabitant of Manhattan Island has got the art of financial transgression down to a poisoned pellet. The graft industry is overcrowded there, and N' York would naturally starve if it wasn't for the man from home who comes piking down Broadway with his check-book in his hand and a sprig of timothy over his ear. Lifelong practice at the art of bunk has made the N' Yorkers so dandified, they can steal your clothes, carry you home in a borrowed nightgown, and make you think you've had a good time. So take an old man's tip. When you come in sight of the Statue of Liberty, step light, sing low, and for Gawd sake, don't let 'em know you're a hick!"

"Maybe we'd better go to Niagara Falls, after all!" Betsy faltered.

"I says to O'Malley," Brian went on, "Uncle Obe, what can I do to conceal my hickory origin?"

"I'll give you a few Don'ts for Hicks," says O'Malley. "Don't smoke a cigar with a band on it. Don't get up in street cars and offer a lady your seat. Don't let the bart or shive the back of your neck. Don't talk politics with strangers. Don't wear tan shoes with buttons on 'em" (furtively Betsy noted that her husband's shoes were of the kind described). "Don't drink Manhattan cocktails. Don't be ashamed to walk over people's knees in the theatre. Don't stand on windy corners to watch the chori go by. And don't flout the head waiter by trying to tip him in public. There are a few rough rules which may keep you a while out of the Order of Stray along the Great White Graft, says Uncle Obe."

"That was thoughtful of him," Betsy intimated.

"Yes," agreed Brian grudgingly. "But it makes me kind o' sore. What brand o' lobsters do those N' York dudes eat that makes 'em so all-fired brighter 'n the rest o' the country? Can't an Indian from another reservation blow in with his war-paint and not—"

"They're naturally lots more experienced than we are living as they do in the midst of things," she suggested.

"Um, O'Malley gave me this letter of introduction," Brian fished a large envelop from his inner pocket. "Said it was to a real N' Yorker—a fella belonging to a Knickerbocker family so old it considers the VanderBills vulgar trades-people; said that if I ever got skinned in any sort of a bilk I could go round to this keen young guy and he'd pull me out. Nice of him, wasn't it?"

"It certainly was," agreed Betsy. She opened the flap of the envelope and read:

Dear Dyckman:

This is to introduce Mr. Brian Blaney, who has come for the first time, to see the town. You'll be doing a favour to your father's old chum if you take my young friend under your wing now and then and steer him clear of any of your city's justly cele-

brated pitfalls. With regards to your dad,

Sincerely,
Obrey O'Malley.

"Now you must present this letter as soon as we get to New York," said Betsy, in a slightly abashed tone.

Brian turned the envelope critically in his hand, reading the address at every conceivable angle. "Mr. Dyckman Wynkoop 134 Washington Square," he read aloud; then added: "That ain't a name; it's a label on an imported cheese."

Just the same, Brian was impressed, and was discovered gazing disquietedly at his buttoned tan shoes at intervals during the trip.

They were amid the horrible grandeur of the Royal Gorge, bathing ground of the (according to prospectus), when an impertinent intrusion appeared in the person of G. H. Hester McCosh. Sight-seeing passengers were assembled in the observation-car, huddled around each window, to let no marvel pass. Roaring through chasms measureless to man, browbeaten by infernal crags, the soft coal smoke of the D. & R. G. locomotive added that Stygian touch so well portrayed by the late Mr. Dante. Some passengers were regarding the Devil's Needle and saying "Ah!" Yet others were looking at the far-piled Ogre's Dungeon and remarking "Oh!" But Brian and Betsy were looking into each other's eyes, and the latter was exclaiming, "You dear old red-headed proposition!"

"Just look at that!" said a resonant voice at their shoulders. "Just look at that!"

A large, florid elderly gentleman with eyeglasses and a tooth-brush mustache spread over the bridal couple a prominent plaid suit in a pattern reminiscent of the costume worn by George IV while shooting grouse on the Highland estate of the Mackintosh of Mackintosh. He fairly crowded between them and pointed out of the window. "Rebblid you masterpiece of nature's art, appalling outcrag of a planet's dawn, never limited by any human paint-brush, sir! There they stand, sir. Rocks! Craggy rocks! Fit for some race of demi-gods!"

"Jaggy rocks fit for some race of demi-gods—I guess," said Brian appreciatively.

"You may sing, young man," continued the eloquent stranger, "of the terrors of the boundless deep or the wonders of the tropic night—but look at those rocks. By ginger, ain't they great?"

"In the real-estate business?" inquired Brian stably.

"Well, no—not exactly. I thought by the way you went at us," continued the Little Booster, "that you were trying to sell us the Rocky Mountains on the easy-payment plan."

"Ah, youth!" rhapsodized the big one. "Youth will have its quip at the wisdom of age. Youth and love. I see you're a bridal couple. I hope, madam," turning a ravishing smile upon Betsy, "that you can spare your husband a moment." Turning to Brian with a suspiciously glib motion of the thumb and forefinger. "Play cards, sir?"

"Not with you," announced Brian, looking the other coolly between the eyes.

"I trust I'm not making a nuisance of myself."

"Not yet," replied Brian, turning for the first time in the direction of the scenery.

"My name is McCosh—G. Hester McCosh," said the florid person, still smiling. "Any time you want to look me up, I'm in Car 3." He strode jauntily away.

"Oh, Sugar Boy, how rude of you!" Betsy chided, as soon as the other man had gone.

"Take it from me, Betsy," said Brian, in rather a depressed tone, "that old guy's phoney. I don't know what he's got to sell, but I bet he makes it in a dark moon."

I wonder why he picked me out?" He looked reflectively at his toes, and remembered the warning words of O'Malley. "Gawd! I wonder if he saw my buttoned tans!"

The further they rushed Eastward, the more earnestly Brian hated his shoes as a recognized badge of Hickdom. He did not look up Mr. McCosh in Car 3, but that thoughtful gentleman made occasion to sit down next to Brian in the buffet when the latter was enjoying a solitary cigarette. They were approaching Chicago at the time, and McCosh sat purring his broad finger-nails with a pearl-handled knife.

"Try one of my perfectos," he said suddenly, offering an ostentatious roll of tin foil.

"Thanks; I never smoke," responded Brian, taking a fresh cigarette from his box.

"Say, you're a cagey kid, all right," laughed the big one, changing from the grandiloquent to the vernacular. His eyes slanted and his weather-beaten mouth came down at one corner. "What's your line?"

"I'm a fly-catcher."

"Haw-haw! You're a smart kid, anyhow. Now, look here. As an enterprising young business man from the West, I'm chom' out on life's voyage with a fair young helpmeet, and awa'it' a'ort and joyous to hear the welcome knock of Opportunity at your door—"

Opportunity, the goddess who knocks but once—you are unspoiled, you are ambitious, too smart to let the golden moment pass unheeded. Ever thought of investin' in mining stocks?"

"Show me," said Brian in a level tone.

"As you see by my card,"—he extended a square of pasteboard,—"I am General Director of the Goodfellow and Surprises Gold Lode Company, Incorporated."

"Pshaw! Is it as bad as that?"

"Have your jinks!" growled Mr. McCosh. "But the old must be patient with the young. I want to talk to you like an uncle. I want to put you on the ground floor in this unparalleled proposition, a chance we only offer our particular friends. I like your face."

Mr. McCosh's fat fingers deftly unfolded a bale of handsomely printed papers engraved in rich orange, the seal of Nevada at the head, an intricate, wavy border down the margins. He laid a compelling palm on Brian's knee.

"In six months from now they'll pay you twenty-five cents on the dollar—twenty-five per cent!"

"Honest," said Brian, carefully folding the stocks and handing them back, "you're the coarsest Wallingford wake-up I've struck yet."

"How's that?" spluttered the big one.

"Excuse me, while I take a good look at you. I thought they had all the old-style con men stuffed and under glass by this time. And to think of one of you whiskered dudes tryin' to pan-handle me—me—with a line o' minin' stock fluff that was passed up by Adam and Eve. Say, old man, I'm sorry for you. You make me want to cry. Your childish stab at dishonesty is sadder'n 'Uncle Tom's Cabin' and twice as stale. Say, what jay town are you going to work with that line 'country-fair bilk'?"

"New York," said Mr. McCosh, with simple dignity.

"What!" The word came like a pistol-shot. "With that? Why, Uncle Rufus, you've got no more show in New York with that prehistoric swindle than a glass bead on Fifth Avenue. Honest, they teach better grafts than that in the New York public schools. Why don't you stick to St. Jo, uncle, where the grass is long and the grazing good?"

The face of the honest Mr. McCosh suddenly settled into tragic lines.

"If I'd 'a' known you was one of us," he began sadly. He made the sign of Three Walnuts between his thumb and fingers. "If I'd known you was in our

line o' goods, I'd never come that con on you. But, since you mention St. Jo I'll put you wise to something. The Middle West circuit's worked dry. I had to borrow from the constable to get out of Emporia, and in Kpekuk I was blackmailed poor by a Rube I tried the badger game on."

"So you're advancin' on New York."

"That's the stuff! The only town in America where you can catch the hick off his nest with the golden eggs exposed. I got a cousin doin' well there in the old glass-ring game."

"Yes, but look at the competition!" Brian objected. "There's three bunks there to every hick And what's your home-made mining swindle against the kind of graft they make by machinery?"

"Well, I'm gettin' old," sighed the swindler. "But a fresh train-load o' straw arrives at the New York Central every fifteen minutes. This is my last stand—may be I won't have to keep bar in my old age."

"If you ain't skinned poor before you've been in New York a week, come around to me and I'll buy some of your goods," said Brian kindly, but with deep foreboding; for he was still mindful of O'Malley's tale of what greedy Gotham does to the naive outsider.

It is the conventional thing for the newcomer in New York to pause Aladdin-like, mind whirling, eyes blinking at the magic works of these djinns who have bewitched mankind. Shall he fly first to the Metropolitan Museum, or shall it be the Metropolitan Tower? Shall he climb the Statue of Liberty or descend into the Subway? But Brian Blaney, his feet set on Manhattan, was tortured by no such doubts. He called a taxi at the Grand Central Station, and, after tucking his baggage and his Betsy safely inside, called commandingly to the chauffeur: "Beat it for the first shoe store on Fifth Avenue."

Betsy's head was out of the window many times. She all but plunged herself headlong several times in passing window displays of feminine attire, and as they whirled by the emporium of a famous milliner, she cried, with almost a sob in her voice: "Brian, you've just got to stop here!" But her auburn-haired lord had his eyes set sternly to the fore. They drew up before a plate-glass window with maculine footwea discreetly displayed.

"Nope," he announced to the smiling clerk, "I don't want anything similar to what I got on. Gimme something like Vince Astor kicks around in."

They sold him a pair with tapering toes, flat soles, and unostentatious eyelets. They cost him eight dollars.

"Score one!" said Brian, making a mark on his cuff as he paid the bill. He wore the shoes out of the shop. "Now that I got rid o' those hick kicks, I guess we'll be safe to walk along Fifth Avenue, paying the taxes here and there."

As a famous milliner's Betsy chose a hat with very little on it, but that well disposed. The bill was sixty-five dollars.

"Score two!" announced Brian, making another mark on his cuff.

"What on earth are you doing, Sugar?" asked his wife.

"Keepin' tab on New York. We've been here half an hour, and she's got us seventy-three bucks already."

They took a room at the St. Sidon Hotel, a fabulous pile overlooking Broadway's busiest corner.

"I'm tired already," said Betsy, throwing herself on a gilded chaise-longue.

"When I look at a dump like this," remarked the Little Booster, "I feel like the King o' Petaia—afraid to sit down for fear some of the gold leaf'll stick to my pants."

He walked over to the window and looked down on the restless human stream flowing below. "I bet N' York's got more tucker 'n speculators 'n San

Bruno's got population. Look! there's a fire-engine tryin' to best a rubber-neck wagon, and a lame horse has just sat down in front of a milk-wagon and tied up all the rapid transit from here to the Bronx. Careless Dobbin!"

After lunch, Brian complained of his new shoes pinching; but he bravely kept his footing within their resisting soles, and plunged still further into the gulf of conventionality by changing to a suit of quiet gray and an inoffensive necktie.

"Going far?" inquired Betsy sleepily from her couch.

"To 134 Washington Square," he said. "I'm going to present O'Malley's letter to Dyckman Wynkoop to see if he's cheese or human. What to come along?"

"No, you little old big foolish; I'm not being introduced. I suppose we're going somewhere to-night."

"Bet your fairy goloshes we're goin' somewhere. As soon as the Scotch whisky ads begin to light up along the Great Tight Way, we'll beat it for one o' these tazy dancin' restaurants where they teach the Harry Thaw glide free with every thousand dollar's worth of champagne. To-night's the big, wide evening!"

Brian fixed his hat at a dangerous angle in the midst of a dance figure which ended in an ardent embrace of his girlish bride.

"Don't let any butler man see you while you're in the mood," she cautioned. "Remember, you're a hick in a great city."

About six o'clock he came whistling back, his face aflame with enthusiasm.

"Did you find him?" asked Betsy, who was waiting, with the patience of an experienced wife, to be hooked up in the back.

"Who? Dyckie Chickencoop? Nope. Say, Dyckie lives in a boy's-size brick palace with a white door, and a brass knocker. When I banged the knob, out shoots a Woodrow Wilson effect in butlers. 'Not to him!' he says. When I called him Charley, he snatched my card away from me and slammed the door so quick he most pinched off my nose."

"Sugar Boy, he probably saw you were a—"

"Hick? Yes. But how did he know? So I hired an open taxi and sailed forth to discover N' York."

"What did you see?"

"Saw the Woolworth Building, a Jew cop arrestin' a drunken Armenian, the Brooklyn Bridge, a fight, a Wall Street panic, the Pennsylvania Station, and Willie Collier tryin' to light a cigar on a windy corner."

"Anything else?"

"I saw a hick. Right before my eyes. Y' see, I dropped my taxi at Fourteenth Street, and ducked into the subway just to get a taste of that celebrated canned air. And what'd you think I saw, the first thing? A Rube got up and gave his seat to a lady. I was sitting comfortably on somebody's mother at the time, and I wanted to lead that hick aside and say, 'Not done, old chap—not in New York'; but I let him go his suicidal way. Wallingford'll get him before morning."

Betsy stood before the mirror and pointed suggestively at the unhooked void in the back of her gown.

"Sweetie-Maple!" sighed the Little Booster, settling down to a desperate struggle with the intricacies thereof, "the dress-maker that built this dream must 'a' had an awful lot o' time!" The days of his bondage had begun.

They dined beneath golden cornices, beside recessed tapestries, eating from precious plate and draining goblets of brilliant crystal.

"Don't make any quick moves," Brian cautioned his wife, "because every time you do it starts a waiter this way, and that costs you five dollars extra."

The bill was nineteen dollars.

"Score three!" warbled Brian, keeping imaginary tabs on his cuff. He led Betsy rather hastily toward the foyer. It was getting on toward ten o'clock, and round the corner, glaring amid the infernal glories of jumping gigantic electric images, stood the Cabaret de l'Obsterre, home of tangoes where Bael feeds fat, where the beathen rage, and where the Turk troteth till the dawn.

Most of the tables were already taken when they entered. Young Mrs. Blaney was not too young to note the two types of women: those who had come and those who had been brought—the former characterized by elaborate complexions inside infantile hats; their lips were bold, their eyes were cold. The band uttered a musical compound of treacle and dynamite; a negro nobleman endowed with India-rubber joints rolled his eyes swimmingly and smote his palms together to an ecstatic "Buzz around—Buzz around!" until a young mulatto woman, lithe as a spider monkey, threw herself at him in an acrobatic tango which included touching her wool to the carpet in miraculous backward leaps.

"Let's swirl!" came Brian's enthusiastic voice in Betsy's ear, for the band had now struck up. "We'll row, row, and many couples took the floor, every Jack to his Jill, every Bacchus to his Bacchantes. By way of divertissement, a Princeton gladiator had arisen from a tableful of college boys, and was inviting the head waiter to put him out.

"Let's go!" pleaded Betsy, seizing Brian's arm.

"Stick around, kid," Brian urged. "We needn't be afraid of this dancin' stuff. All New York's doin' it."

"I bet half the men here are travelling salesmen from Duluth. Don't be a hick!" This was Betsy's quelling word.

"Speaking of hicks," whispered her husband, nudging her sharply, "look what's just come in!"

"Who is he?"

"The Rube I saw give his seat to a lady in the subway. He's hopeless!" For, even at the word, the newcomer—who wore buttoned tan shoes—was ordering a Manhattan cocktail.

"He must be the King of the Hickories!" murmured Brian, becoming more and more concerned. "Ain't it pitiful!"

The object of Brian's commiseration called to him the head waiter, and, in the presence of the whole room, handed him a five-dollar bill. Then he lit a cigar, and kept the band on.

"He's got every one of O'Malley's 'How to Tell a Hick' marks except he don't shave his neck. Probably he's waitin' for the barber shop to open in the morning."

"He's rather nice-looking," said Betsy, "and he wears a good suit of clothes."

"Whiskers! There ought to be a Society for the Protection of Him. I've a good mind to give that lone yokel a tip before he falls in the hands of—"

Down the aside came a florid familiar face. The head waiter pulled out a chair next the unprotected stray. And the person who occupied the seat, presenting a cordial palm to the helpless hick, was none other than G. Hunter McCosh, the superannuated bunco man of the D. & R. G.

McCosh's broad back was toward Brian, therefore he could not see his neighbors, although close enough to be easily overheard. Brian quickly forgot the charms of tango in the study of bunco as the elderly rascal laid his fat palm caressingly over the hand of the younger man, who was neat and rather small, with oyster-coloured eyes and a sallow countenance.

"No, my boy; you can't afford to miss this," began McCosh, in the tone of thick gravity. "Take an old man's advice and—" The rest was lost in the musical racket.

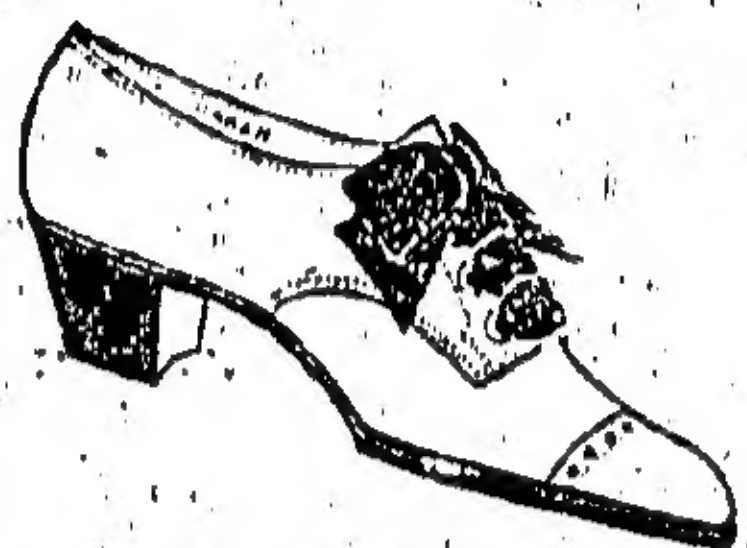
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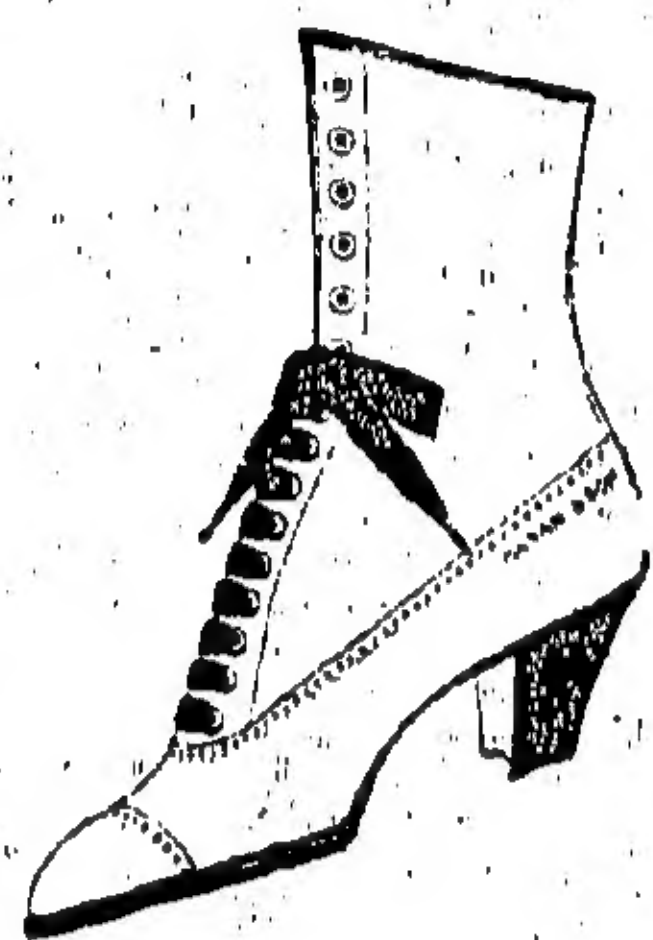
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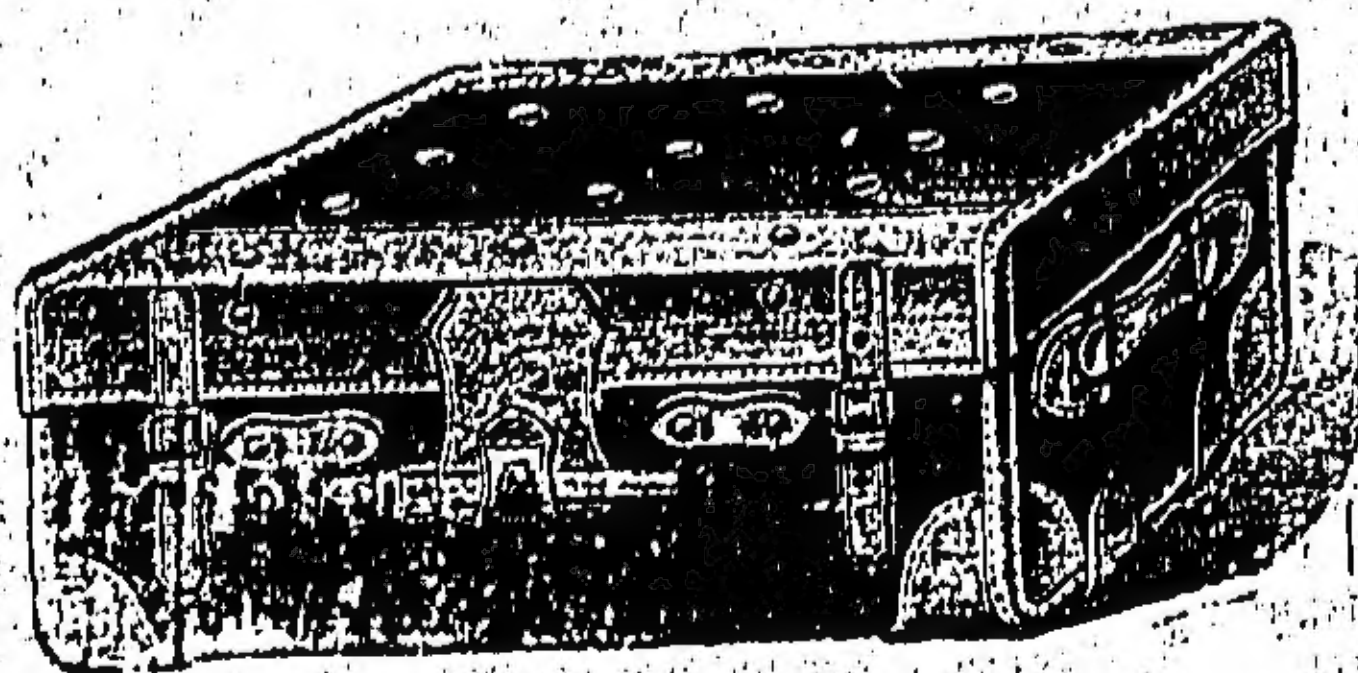
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"If you can prove they're as good as—" the young man was about to say.

"Opportunity knocks but once the door—good as melted down—as proved by our specimens—these scraps in McCosh's thing-tone.

"If we could only find a place to talk more quietly—"

"It is kinda noisy here," Dush admitted. "Supposing I and me go over to Gothamia—"

"The details of this proposition," Come on!" breathed Brian.

"Where?"

"To the Gothamia grill!"

"Was easy to see why this or less skilful Mr. McCosh chosen the Gothamia grill."

"The grill room in one of the best hotels, it opens, flowered at the hour of noon, and again at sunset, when the rest is diverted to the fragrant dining-room upstairs or the music-hall in the basement."

"During the evening hours Gothamia grill assumes the quiet of a Union League."

"But under shaded lights and women talk mysterious-secluded tables."

"A gunman's delight!" exclaimed Brian. "If I stabbed a here and dragged him into elevator, how would Hearst catch me?—Waiter!"

"A Alastair mountaineer approximately. "Bring a pitcher of beer and a lemonade."

"The waiter retreated, and the was darkened by the shadow of a pompous person leading a youth of hesitating mien."

"Pretty work!" murmured.

"They sat at a table far from ear-shot but well within the hypnotist was evincing his subject with stasis, confidence, honest opinion, for the fat hands of McCosh were working busily over more complicated than a tourist's dream. And the looked up with the expression of a tired child who hears a fairy story and loves to sit it true."

"Maud, what a sucker!"

"Brian. "He wants to bite me, he's helping to bite me hook."

"Two figures at the distant table back, something settled. The elder man forth a packet of papers lengthwise."

"McCosh was right," said "You can make the man Keokuk do stunts in N's never dreamt of in his town."

"Maybe it's not so bad as you suggested Dush."

"Didn't you see the orange engraved on the paper?"

"Goodfellow and Surprise he's sellin' the hick—and Rubie's pullin' his check."

"Enough, the lamb was all-reaching for McCosh's pen. There was a moment's intense scribbling, during which McCosh bit a black and forgot to light it, finally leaf from the check-book in his palm, and he it like a rare orchid. An later McCosh was seen to feverishly, button his over the new-made check, a loving hand to his, and stride forth into the town. Brian jumped from air."

"Are not going to—"

"You bet I am! As a stranger you ain't a-goin' to sit here my helpless brother skin on Broadway."

"The young man sat reading on a printed sheet of Goodfellow and Surprise, rapturously as the Moslem scans the when Brian accosted him."

"Excuse me!" said the Little "I don't know what part Woolly West you come but you'll take back less than you brought with you."

"Leaving?" inquired the adjusting his eye-glasses.

"Do you know who that lunk is you just—"

"That 'bunk,' as you roughly term him," said the young man in a modulated baritone, "is Mr. Hotchkiss, well known in the Goodfellow and—"

"His name was McCosh when I met him. Now, listen to mother. There ain't any time to feed the chickens. I'm telling you. You've just fallen for a man who's a professional walnut-pusher, a dot-and-carry card-handler, a life member of the Gold Brick Layers' Union—in plain Californian, a bunko man. Because you lost your brains the other side of the Ohio River, I'll wise you. You've been bilked, trimmed—"

"But he came to New York with the highest references."

"Splash! I've a good mind to touch you for a thousand, myself. How much was in that check you just signed?"

"Forty-five hundred and fifty."

"Get your bank the first thing in the morning and stop it."

"Lord!" groaned the callow one. "It's on the Night and Day Bank!"

"Telephone—hot foot, kid!"

"The sedate grill room was enlivened by the sight of a red-headed enthusiast dragging a dazzled youth across two chairs toward the telephone-booth. A few minutes later Betsy, to her relief, beheld her husband returning calmly with the new-found hick."

"Now, Marcus," Brian was saying, "we've got to kite it over to the Night and Day and identify you. Friend wife and I'll tag along to see that the rest of your waist don't jump out of the window."

"The hick had a taxi—waiting by the hour apparently—outside. As they bumped over New York's asphalt, which, like her sky-line, is picturesque but uneven, Betsy tried to soothe the stranger with commonplaces."

"Doesn't it seem grand in New York after the country?" she asked.

"It does," said the hick forlornly.

"When he emerged from the sleepless portals of the Night and Day, there were tears in his pale orbs, suggestive of oo-lool."

"They fixed it—but it hurts me to think I've been betrayed by a friend," he sobbed.

"That's what they all say," chirped Brian brightly. "Now, Mrs. Bride, and I'll escort you past the bogies to your hotel."

"The young man gave a number to the chauffeur."

"Now, look you, son," Brian went on, for he must have his lecture. He put his hand patronizingly now on the hick's knee—"I just got to hand it out. Take it or leave it. When in Rome you gotta do as the Romans do. Don't talk to large men with fancy vests. Maybe you'll thank me for this when you get back to the home town."

"It's not my fault. It's the way the old man raises me," the yellow one moaned. "Never letting me go into business, like other fellows."

"Say!" Brian had an inspiration. "If you ever want a wise guy to take you around N' York, ring me up. I'm at the St. Sidon. Stick around, kid, and I'll show you all the new stuff."

"Thanks awfully," said the hick.

"The taxi stopped before a brick house with a white door."

"You've pulled me out of an awful hole, old man," he continued, as he stepped out. "I'd like to see more of you. Here's my card."

"The hick's face stared into the taxi door, pale and anxious. Brian, as he accepted the card, felt a thrill of remorse. "Perhaps," he had been a bit rough in his language to this outside, who, after all, would learn his New York in time. Under the flickering corner light of Brian held the card, spelling each letter carefully. Then he put it in his pocket. Already the hick

was disappearing up the front steps.

"Say!" said Bain, calling after him, and again to king at the name on the card, "I got a letter of introduction to you."

And, as the hick returned, the Little Booster brought forth O'Malley's envelope addressed to Mr. Dyckman Wyatcoop, 13½ Washington Square.

"I thought I might as well hand it to you now, son. I'm around your way,"—McCosh's.

GENERAL NEWS.

Bequest to Housekeeper.

Mr. Henry Watts, of Linton House, Lanton, Oxfordshire, whose estate has been valued at £16,841, left to his housekeeper, Julia Mead, the proceeds of his life policy, his household and personal effects, his horsa, carriages, wines, and consumable stores absolutely, together with the income for life from his lands at Stratton Audley, Oxfordshire, and Preston Bissett Buckinghamshire.

Due to Parents' Carelessness.

An epidemic of scarlet fever in Preston and the surrounding districts has filled over fifty beds in the local hospital. No more patients can be accepted. In addition to the fifty cases in hospital number of cases are isolated at home. The epidemic is not confined to the congested area of the town, but is widespread in both the middle and the lower class quarters. Dr. Pilkington states that gross carelessness and selfishness on the part of the parents and failure to take ordinary common-sense precautions are largely responsible for the epidemic.

Minister's Death in Vestry.

The Rev. Dr. Robert Craig, of Edinburgh, was found dead in the vestry of the Morningside Congregational Church, Edinburgh, recently. Dr. Craig had gone to address a young man's meeting, and one of the young men on entering the room found him sitting in the chair dead. Dr. Craig was 76, and death was due to heart failure. He was born at Kilmarnock, and educated at Glasgow, and filled ministerial charges in Glasgow, Salford, and Edinburgh. Seven years ago he retired from the ministry or Bristle Place Congregational Church, Edinburgh.

Motor-Boat's Adventurous Voyage.

Details have been received at Queenstown of the safe arrival at Port Churchill, Hudson's Bay, of a motor-boat in charge of Captain Nilson and four men from Penzance, after a voyage lasting 33 days. Five days after leaving Penzance the tail shaft was bent in a storm. The small craft encountered terrific gales in the North Atlantic, and barely escaped foundering. The captain made for Greenland, but no harbour could be entered, as the whole coast was icebound and the boat was surrounded by icebergs. In a blinding snow-blizzard the boat was beached at Port de Perriere, and after repairs had been effected and the crew had had a much-needed rest the voyage to Port Churchill was completed.

Trade Among Pacific Nations.

Washington, October 31.—As no intimation of the vast trade that will be brought close to the doors of American manufacturers and merchants with the opening of the Panama Canal, the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce to-day issued a statement of the world trade done by the countries washed by the Pacific Ocean. The total of this trade cannot fully be gathered, but the imports into the various Pacific ports in 1902 exceeded two and one-third billions of dollars.

The Bureau discovered, also, that the consuming power of the countries virtually doubled in a little more than a decade. It also ascertained that although the United States was getting its normal share of the trade, the percentage which it supplies of the imports "shows comparatively little change."

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ROUND THE SHOPS.

NOTES MADE ON A TOUR OF THE CHRISTMAS DISPLAYS.

All the shop windows have now assumed their Christmas garb and are even more attractive than is usual at Christmas. Many of our lady readers have doubtless inspected some, if not all, of the displays, and the others, of course, intend to do so. The notes given on this and the next page should be found helpful by intending shoppers. They state, briefly and compactly, the leading lines offered by each firm.

The Dairy Farm.

The Dairy Farm is such a household word when good things are required that one is in a tight corner for words in which to call attention to the goods it supplies. "The proof of the pudding is in the eating," is an old adage that can be aptly applied to the Dairy Farm. The name Dairy Farm is synonymous with excellence, and if you require edibles of this standard of quality you must go to the Dairy Farm to realise what excellence means. For poultry and game it is the store, and for milk, eggs, butter, lard, ham, etc., where can it be beaten? There is no squeeze at this establishment, and if a customer cannot get what he or she wants, a letter to the management will soon put matters right. There is no risk about the Christmas dinner if the ingredients are purchased from the Dairy Farm.

A. S. Watson & Co.

Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., among all the good things that they sell, have such a range of articles of widely diverging uses that it is difficult to know where to begin. A glance at their windows will show that besides the ordinary medicaments obtainable all the year round special attention is worthy of the splendid array of perfumes and other mysteries for my lady's table. Also there is the fragrant weed that delectates the soul of man, including the famous Ardath makes and all the various tobaccos that have made a name in the past and are maintaining their reputation among serious smokers.

Mackintosh and Company.

Messrs. Mackintosh and Company, the men's wear specialists, are most appropriate of a visit. There is nothing in the shape of wearing apparel that a man requires that they have not on hand, and you can rest assured that when you buy at this establishment you are getting goods that are comparable with those turned out by the premier West End shops in London, and at prices considerably less than they would ask. The very look of their goods speaks for quality. They have the latest in fashions from Home every fortnight. These are of good colour, exclusive design and cheap. Messrs. Mackintosh are agents for Austin Reed's famous "Summit" collars and shirts.

Gande Price and Co.

If there is one thing more than another that makes a Christmas dinner palatable it is a glass of good wine. Champagne is the order of the hour, and there is no place in the Colony where one can find better wine of this particularly sparkling brand than at Messrs. Gande Price and Co. Their wines have increased the good name this firm already enjoyed for spirits and beer. Callers at this establishment will have every attention and quick and safe delivery of all that they order.

Lane Crawford and Co.

Reference has already been made to Messrs. Lane Crawford and Co.'s fine exhibition of seasonable goods and to draw further attention is only to add further praise where already much commendation must be given. Their commissariat department, their toys and sporting requisites are already so well known that it is as well to direct notice to the fine men's wear department that caters for all the clothing needs of the mere male. Especially about this time, with the colder weather coming on, and evening gatherings the rule, more than ordinary attention is necessary to one's wear and those who are replenishing their wardrobes will do well to pay a visit in this direction.

Nestle and Anglo-Swiss Milk Company.

The Nestle and Anglo-Swiss Condensed Milk Company, who have brought themselves prominently to the notice of the public this Christmas by their interesting advertisement competition, are doing well to draw attention to their many excellent products which they are putting before the public. There was a time when condensed milk had no great name, but the Milkmaid brand of condensed milk that this company are placing before the public are revolutionising ideas in this direction. They are not only numerous but also good. Chocolates also are one of their specialties, the famous makes of Peter's, Kohlers and Nestles being also well placed before an appreciative public.

Wm. Powell and Company.

Messrs. William Powell and Company have proved their worth for many years now, and their goods have stood the test of our climate so satisfactorily that for good wearing articles all know they cannot be beaten. The special Christmas preparations were very nice last year, but this year, as one would expect from such an enterprising firm, we find that they have excelled all previous efforts. The fairland they have provided for the children will gladden hundreds of little hearts, and any day youngsters up to the teens, can be seen looking longingly at the delightful display of toys.

Robinson and Company.

At this season of the year things musical appeal to one rather strongly as it is certainly a period of rejoicing. There is surely no better way to rejoice, particularly at Christmas time than in discoursing or listening to music that appeals to the soul. The question then arises, where can we get the best instruments and the most superior music? It is in answer to this query that we state without hesitation, Messrs. Robinson and Company, the instrument dealers and music sellers. If your piano or organ wants tuning they are the people to do it at reasonable terms.

British American Tobacco Co.

From the time that the servant threw a bucket of water over Sir Walter Raleigh the cult of tobacco has so grown on man that it has long ceased to be a habit and become a characteristic. What Sir Walter was in his day, the British American Tobacco Co. is in this, and the many different forms of the weed that they can place at the disposal of the public is only equalled by their excellence. In this respect Bouton Rouge leads the way. They are a clean smoking cigarette and a choice box of these should form a fine gift to a male acquaintance.

Blackhead and Co.

It matters not what you want, go to Blackhead's and they will provide it; if they haven't just what you want at the moment, and that is very unlikely for these providers, they will get it for you as soon as it is possible to do so. A great specialty with this firm is the famous Bear Brand Milk, and those who have not tried it are doing themselves an injustice. A visit to this establishment, even though one does not want to buy, is always interesting, and is courted by the management.

Caldbeck MacGregor and Co.

Messrs. Caldbeck MacGregor and Company always remind us of those well established wine and spirit merchants that prevail in the country districts at home. There is the same air of solidity about them, and the same fine quality of goods supplied. Their Lager Beer, Kupper, by name, is one of the best light lagers to be had in the colony, but while, of late, it

fully recognised it would be a pity were the housewife to forget that their stock of wines is such as will cover all her needs with the very best quality. Reasonableness of price is one of their strong points.

Anderson Music Company.

A very business like music establishment is the Anderson Music Company. Here one is treated civilly and no pains are spared to assist the purchaser in getting just what he wants whether it is a cheap piece of music, a violin string, or a costly piano. The tuning of this company is extraordinarily good and the attention an instrument receives at the hands of their experts is such that one will never be anxious to change after once engaging them. All kinds of instruments can be obtained at this house at prices that cannot be beaten either in Hongkong or elsewhere. They have a choice collection of music on hand.

Krusse and Company.

Messrs. Krusse and Company are sure to have many visitors during the next few weeks since they have the finest cigars one could wish to keep in his cabinet, and, by the way, if you have not got a nice smoker's cabinet they are the people who will readily supply you with one. The Orient Cabinet, fifty in a box, the five best grades assured, is a commendable purchase. They do not confine themselves to cigars, this enterprising firm, and their stock of toys and suitable presents is well chosen.

"San Miguel."

It is always a matter of wonder what a Christmas is like that does not include a bottle of beer—at least one. That is where the San Miguel Brewery comes in. Their beers are certainly most popular in the colony and it would indeed be a matter for marvel if this excellent brew did not find its way into most homes this season. It is not that there is any difficulty in getting it; it is as easy to obtain as "falling off a log" and as enjoyable as it is easy to get. Messrs. Michael and Co. of Pedder Street are always ready to see that customers can secure quick supplies.

Universal Providers.

The Universal Providers when they set out, determined to cater for the needs of all classes and it is to their credit that they have done so. A glance at the windows of their convenient store in Queen's Road is sufficient to show that their selection of goods will be hard to beat. Especially in the line of toys do they shine for they have some fine doll's views. More serious demands of the table are met with choice brands of tinned stuffs and everything that the housekeeper can want. Outfitting and tailoring also deserve attention and before ordering a new suit a call should be paid to the Queen's Road Central Co.

Stephens and Company.

Messrs. H. Stephens and Company have now on hand no less than two hundred gentlemen's ready made suits. They are tweeds of the most reasonable weight and are of first class cut and finish. The prices are from \$9.50 to \$18, and they are just the suit for the cold months of January, February and March. The premises are at 18-22, Queen's Road Central. Call and inspect them.

Metchers and Co.

With the advent of a season of gaiety constant standing in front of the dressing glass brings home often the fact that one's hair is not what it used to be. A thinness appears and the hair is not as strong as it might be and uneasiness is the result. Much of this might be done away with if the aid of Petrole Hahn supplied by Messrs. Metchers and Co. is called in. Not only does it beautify the hair, but it strengthens it and thereby keeps all that is there, and adds new hair which cannot fail to please.

Hongkong Parcel Company.

How often would we send nice things home, particularly costly curios, if we could only rely on them reaching their destination in safety? This is a question that most of us have asked ourselves repeatedly. There is no reason why we should court trouble since the advent of the Hongkong Parcel Company. All one has to do is either give them what you want to have forwarded, or a bit of authority to get the goods, and they will collect them for

you, pack them, insure them and deliver them. They have connections with all the world-wide forwarding agents, so that there is no accessible part of the globe to which they cannot undertake to send goods.

Queen's Dispensary.

Queen's Dispensary besides providing for the ailments mankind and all the other articles associated with the profession of chemist have a large circulating library which will bear thinking over during the holiday. It would be a good resolution, for instance, to decide to join the library but sight must not be lost of the fact that the dispensary has equal claim on the present buyer as has anyone else. The selection of goods that they display is one which should receive attention, few ladies, but look with pleasure on a gift of choice chocolates and other good things which the dispensary can supply.

Dragon Cycle Depot.

The Overland 1913 Model of motor car is a car that is speedily attracting attention in other places as well as Hongkong, but in this colony every facility for viewing this model is given by Mr. Lauritsen of the Dragon Cycle Depot. It contains all the newest devices for labour saving, including electric light, and a price of \$2,800 Hongkong currency. Prospective customers have the opportunity of trying this car free of charge and any one who is thinking deeply of purchasing a car should certainly see what the Dragon Cycle Depot can do.

The Sun Company.

The Sun Company's premises in Des Voeux Road cannot lightly be passed through in a few moments if one is out shopping and their bid for Christmas trade is one that must be taken seriously. Anything big or little that the housewife can think of can think of can be obtained from this emporium. This season of the year sees them prepared with toys and games in great variety, sweets, tobacco, and practically every need for the household while the moderation of their prices is already well known. Customers doing a deal of buying need not fear fatigue, for a nicely equipped refreshment room is one of the features of the place.

Victoria Dispensary.

Chemists and Christmas seem an unfortunate combination until the stock of the Victoria Dispensary is surveyed. For the nonce pills and potions take a decidedly backseat and bonbons of all shapes, sizes, tastes, and colours appear to celebrate the joyous season. Cadbury, Faller and Pascall are names to conjure with in the sweet-loving world and walnut toffee Valencia Nougat and Turkish delight are among the cream of confectionery society. Of course mere man's comforts are not left out in the cold and a good cigar can also be found in the same store.

Osram Lamps.

Osram drawn wire lamps sold by the General Electric Co. of China Ltd. and in fact all contractors stand pre-eminent among the media for illumination. A great advance on the filament lamps they give a better and whiter light, last longer and generally are good value for the money. The price too is reasonable, candle powers of from 10 to 50 being sold at the low cost of 35 cents each. For private houses and shops and indeed all electric lighting purposes, including Christmas trees, the Osram on account of its saving of current is wonderful value for the money.

Law and Sons.

Messrs. Law and Sons, of Daddell Street are at present drawing attention to the fact that they are agents for the Studebaker motor cars. The popularity of this vehicle has many times been dilated upon. It is one of the best makes of a very prominent firm in America and its general appearance is smart and convenient. Messrs. Law are the sole agents for this car and the price at which it is quoted is moderate and such as should be well weighed with other makes before a decision to purchase is arrived at.

Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

Of beers it might be said there are legion. Some are very good, but all are good. No one ever heard of bad beer. Some beer that is very good is that supplied

by the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha and its familiar label is a common sight in the colony. We refer to Asahi and Sapporo Beers. Which is the better is a hard task to distinguish, but both are light lagers well suited to the climate and certainly refreshing. They can be obtained everywhere and their quality, combined with moderate cost, form the best commendation that can possibly be had.

Arthur Nilsson.

Messrs. Arthur Nilsson and Co. are well known in Hongkong in connection with the Aga Light which they have brought prominently to the public notice of late with such excellent results. But at the same time it must not be lost sight of that this firm are also agents for the Ericson Telephone as well as all manner of electrical accessories including portable telegraph instruments and fire alarms of the latest pattern. Their selection of goods should commend itself to every one who has any dealings in things of this nature.

G. Falconer and Co.

An old firm and one that can always be relied upon to give is that of Messrs. G. Falconer and Co. in Pedder Street. They show a range of goods that cannot fail to draw the attention of everyone who believes in giving a good present when he is about it. Their Ladies' gold bracelet watches are things of beauty and joys for ever while the same can also be said of their rings, brooches and pendants. Among the less costly presents but none the less choice are a number of small table clocks—in fine blue enamel cases. They would form a fine addition to any writing table.

Campbell Moore.

Messrs. Campbell Moore in their excellently appointed saloon in the Hongkong Hotel building are capable of fulfilling every demand of the toilet. Besides being barbers they make a specialty of manicuring and chiropody while their work in ladies' hair dressing is well known in Hongkong. Not here alone does their usefulness end, for their stock includes those various aids to beauty which are known only to the fair sex, though a good brilliantine and excellent shaving requisites are also to be found on their shelves.

G. Up and Company.

Messrs. Gaupp and Company have a very pretty and useful display of fancy silverwork. Apart from this line they have a choice selection of cups and other trophies. They are noted for their marine instruments and glasses, and need very little recommendation to the people of this Colony as regards their wares. Clubs in want of trophies should certainly inspect the stock at this establishment before they make their selection.

Lazarus Brothers.

Messrs. Lazarus Brothers are too well known in the colony and indeed over all China to need any great reference to their fine work as opticians, though attention should be drawn to the fact that they are now in a position to cope with almost any demand for toric lenses. They are having four new toric machines installed in their workshop and the quality of their work is always of so high a standard that the addition of the new machines will only permit of them to increase their already good output. The large stock of lenses that they keep and the large selection they have at their disposal enable them to supply practically any order at short notice.

Mae Cheung.

Mae Cheung is always with us. His photographic work is too well known to need great praise; it speaks for itself. More especially his work appeals to the amateur photographer who does not care for the messy task of doing his own developing and printing. If the plates or films are taken to him it is safe to rely on a good result being obtained as long as anything like a correct exposure has been made. It will be a good tip to amateurs to remember that if they want their Christmas pictures to be a success they should see what Mae Cheung can do for them. Any one presenting a camera as a gift could do much worse than see what he can do.

Nikko & Co.

Curios for Christmas presents are not only on sale but are absolutely the fashion in Hongkong,

and where fashion dictates, it is only then necessary to find some good store from which a fine selection of unusual Christmas presents can be made. Those who have only a short time in the colony like to carry with them artistic mementoes of a pleasurable stay; those who remain find pleasure in filling their homes with examples of eastern art. Nikko and Co. sells many such as these and a visit to their large shop in the Hongkong Hotel buildings will be repaid by the many nice things that can be bought there.

Sennet Freres.

Sennet Freres are a firm of the foremost jewellers in the colony and what their window does not show can generally be found inside. In fact their range of goods is so large that anything from personal adornment to choice accessories which partake of the nature of luxuries may be found with them. In particular they are showing a fine range of silver vases and other table embellishments. Besides that their watches and rings are certainly worth seeing; some of them are positive revelations of the jeweller's art.

Chotirmall & Co.

Messrs. K. A. J. Chotirmall & Co. are holding a great clearance sale of all kinds of Indian Chinese and Japanese silk goods, etc. for one month only.

S. O. A. E.

The S. O. A. E. O. the Far East Oxygen and Acetylene Company Ltd. is the firm for autogenous welding, repairs of boilers and hulls, the welding of cracks, the renewing of corroded plates by addition of metal, the welding of broken pieces of any kind of metal. The office is No. 4, Queen's Building, third floor. They are well known in the Far East and their work is the finest that can be obtained.

Ullman's.

Ullman's, the jewellers, have always on hand a fine display of the most presentable jewellery. For diamonds, pearls, rubies and other stones their collection is unsurpassed. Their watches and clocks are the most reliable, and those desiring to make purchases in this line should not go elsewhere until they have paid a visit to this shop.

Uldersup and Schluter.

Messrs. Uldersup and Schluter are the engineers par excellence, and the Bolinders motors they supply are admittedly the best on the market. With this firm business is practically the same all the year round, and the excellence of their workmanship is such that it keeps them busy with all kinds of orders. This firm is known so well throughout the Far East that it is not necessary for anyone to spin words in recommending them.

Wing Kee.

Wing Kee has been established as many years as a ship's chandler but there is not a line in the Far East that is not aware of the business capacity of this firm. We again call attention to this up to date business house.

The Medical Hall.

The Medical Hall has on hand the following perfumes: D'orsay, Pivo (Trefle-Incarnat), Rigand (The Perium of the Season), Cosnell (Blossom), Schwarrose (Rosa centifolia), Wolf and son, Dralle & Co. and a very large assortment of toilet soaps, nail and hair brushes, combs, face powder, hair lotions, rubber sponges, sprays, mirrors, etc. In the way of drugs and for the making up of prescriptions this establishment cannot be beaten.

Moutrie and Company.

Messrs. Moutrie and Company need very little recommendation from anyone as music dealers and musical instrument providers. If you want to try a grand piano, an organ, a gramophone or a record there is every convenience in this house for so doing. Their music library is always replete with the latest compositions, and it matters not whether you want "rags" or classics, you can find them at this establishment. They are the premier booking agents of the town and well advised companies touring the East, write them in advance of coming to Hongkong.

Komor and Komor.

For all that is artistic we must go to Messrs. Komor and Komor. They are making a specialty of silk scarves just now and they have a most delightful choice of

these dainty articles. For curioes they stand alone. The firm is known the world wide and many drawing rooms in the civilized countries of the world exhibit purchases from Messrs. Komor and Komor. A visit to their premises is an education and is invited by the proprietors who are only too anxious to show visitors round.

Ruttonjee and Son.

Messrs. Ruttonjee and Son are showing a fine assortment of chocolates etc., this season which compare favourably with those already mentioned, but their capacity for meeting the household needs of residents does not end here. A glance at their price list reveals the names of all the best makers of foodstuffs while their cellars contain some excellent wines, spirits and beers. The quickness of delivery and the courtesy generally extended to customers make this shop certainly worth the visiting.

Concerning Aspirin.

Among the many uses of Aspirin there is one that might possibly come in useful at this time of the year. Late nights and much high living have a way of leaving a slight headache which might interfere with the enjoyment of some of the days of the holiday. Here it is that Aspirin comes in. That headache can be quickly banished by a tablet dissolved in water which when taken will banish the headache and leave the head clear. The best form of aspirin to take is that of the Bayer Tablets which can be obtained at all chemists' shops.

Messrs. Chellaram and Co.

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A. Bane.

For coal and particularly Sillimpoen Coal Bankers a line should be dropped to Mr. A. Bane. These bankers can be supplied at cheap rates at Sandakan and Sebatik. At these ports, it is worth noting steamers sailing for bunker coal are exempted from shipping dues and charges.

Loxley & Co.

Messrs. Loxley & Co. are the agents in Hongkong of that well known disinfectant Izal, whose efficacy is its great recommendation. In a colony like this, where the use of disinfectant in one form or another is a matter of daily importance, it is imperative that the disinfectant used should be one of the best. It is here that Izal shines. Added to the thoroughness with which it does its work is the fact that it is non-poisonous and non-corrosive but at the same time a perfect germicide. It can be had made up in the form of solution powder or soap.

The Victoria Theatre.

The Victoria Theatre is what we like to look upon as our own little place of amusement, and though we often read of the palatial picture palaces at Home and on the Continent, we know that any pictures those houses exhibit the Victoria Theatre is able to reproduce and does reproduce. As soon as it is possible for the management to get the latest films it does so, and that they are well shown is appreciated by the people of Hongkong. Again, whatever is good in the travelling turn line, this enterprising management is sure to have a good bid for. There are to be special performances during the holidays and all should look out for them.

The Bijou.

If one had as many ten dollar notes as one had laughs in the Bijou Theatre he would be very rich indeed. The management of this place of entertainment spares neither pains nor expense to put before the public all that is latest in either films or turns, for a good time at the Bijou, as the energy and taste displayed by the managers in the past regarding the catering for the desires of their patrons will be increased, and we are sure their efforts as pleasure vendors will meet with the greatest success.

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ANOTHER LESSON FROM AMERICA.

We have before now commented in this column on American commercial enterprise, and have made the point that other countries have much to learn from the much-alive business men of the United States. By the application of systematic methods on the part of large concerns, backed up by official encouragement secured by Consular activities, a large share of the world's trade has been secured, and the process is being continued more steadily and persistently year by year. The latest indication to the world in general that the United States is working to force its goods into foreign markets is to be found in fact that the National Association of Manufacturers, with headquarters at New York, has recently started a free export trade school for the benefit of employees of firms that are members of the Association. It appears that, for some time, the officers of the foreign department of the Association have perceived the need of some such instruction as is contemplated for the younger employees of exporting firms who have an ambition to rise out of the rut and become of greater value to their employers. The fact is realised that every efficient employee is another efficient unit in the extension of the country's export trade, and this, in turn, means more business. Hence the new school.

Profit may be gained by looking somewhat closely into the schemes planned by the organisers of this school to perfect young men in the intricacies of foreign commerce. The school is intended preferably for young men who have already had some training in the general field of exporting but who desire to broaden their knowledge. The instruction is given on two evenings a week, and the school starts with fully fifty pupils. As to the courses, a beginning is being made with elementary lessons in exporting and foreign exchange, though eventually the scope will be broadened so as to include foreign languages, commercial accounting, and everything else useful to the student of commerce. The work covered in one of the courses already in operation comprises commercial geography, means of transportation, all details as to seeking, securing and maintaining foreign business; filling orders, shipping, financing exports, accounting and correspondence. The lectures in foreign exchange embrace the relation of American money to that of all other commercial countries, handling of exchange in foreign trade, and further details in this line.

There are great possibilities in such a movement as this. In most other countries knowledge and information such as this school will impart are only obtained as the result of personal experience, often over a long period, in the course of business life. Here the young men of America will, at the same time that they are learning the rudiments of their business, by coming to actual grips with the daily problems which present themselves, be able to supplement this training by studying, in their spare hours, the soundest principles underlying successful competition in the great markets of the world. One point about the scheme deserves emphasising, and it is that, strictly speaking, the lessons will not be lessons. The expert in charge of the school aims rather at holding conferences with his students in which neither he nor anybody else will do all the talking. His business is to state facts, illustrating them by concrete examples from modern commerce, and he expects his students to cross-examine him until they have satisfied their minds upon the most obscure points. That is the right way to go about the problem, and it deserves, as it will probably secure, every success.

Outwitting the Strikers.

Every day the striker is being outwitted. That is a reflection warranted by the recent announcement that the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce has in hand the establishment of a commercial register in connection with the use of motor cars in times of railway strikes. The proposal is to put together a register of commercial motor waggons and conveyances which might be made available for the use of others than their owners in times of serious emergency, at an agreed charge. It is felt also that in addition to the facilities which might be provided for the conveyance of goods from Birmingham, arrangements might be made with other towns for return loads of goods needed by Birmingham traders. There are possibilities of great usefulness in the scheme; anyhow, anything which tends to outdo the discontents who strike on the least excuse is heartily to be welcomed.

Mud-Splashing.

We notice that one of the Tradesmen's Associations at Home has taken up the question of damage caused by the mud-splashing of heavy motor cars. This evil is felt especially in the big urban centres, and it is one which increases in intensity with the more widespread use of the motor car. The Association referred to has discussed the matter at some length and has decided to urge upon the Government, in view of the increased employment of heavy power-driven vans in the public thoroughfares, to issue a regulation for the use of appliances to prevent the present discomfort to the public and the damage to the goods and windows of tradespeople. In Hongkong the chief damage and inconvenience are caused, not to windows and goods, but to one's clothing; and if the evil can be prevented it should be.

CHURCH SERVICES.

St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong.—21st December, 4th Sunday in Advent. Holy Communion 8.15 a.m. Matins 11 a.m. Full Choir. Responses: Ferial. Venite; Barby. Psalms: of the 2nd morning Benedicite; Frost in D. Jubilate; Hayes in D. Anthem: "Love not the world." Sullivan; Holy Communion 11.45 a.m. Kyrie: Calkin in B flat (26). Hymns: 612, 51; Evensong 5.45 p.m. Responses: Ferial. Psalms Special (11). Magnificat Woodward 28th morning. Nunc Dimittis: Purcell 28th evening Hymns: 157, 280, 217.

St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon. Fourth Sunday in Advent. 21st December, 1913. Holy Communion at 11 a.m. Morning Prayer 11 a.m. Responses: Ferial. Venite; 21st Day. Psalms: As set. Te Deum; Blissett. Jubilate; Ouseley. Kyrie: Varley Roberts; Evening Prayer at 6 p.m. Hymn: 28. Responses: Ferial. Psalms: Alternative Chants. Magnificat: Barby in F. 38th morn. Nunc Dimittis. Reinbult in E. 16th morning Vesper Hymn.

St. Peter's Church, Sunday. Holy Communion: 8 a.m. Morning Service and Holy Communion: 11 a.m. Evening Service at Seamen's Institute: 7.30 p.m. Voluntary-Moist, Hymns 145, 23, 169, 24, 25, Nazareth and Cards.

Union Church, Kennedy Road.—Morning at 11 a.m. Evening at 6 p.m. Collections for Sunday School. Preacher, Rev. J. K. Macdonald.

First Church of Christ Scientist, Macdonnell Road, Sunday: 11.15 a.m. Wednesday: 5.30 p.m. Garrison Divine Service: Church of England Victoria Cathedral 9.15 a.m. Chaplain. Church of England Detention Barrack Detention Barrack 12 noon. Chaplain. R.N. Church of England Stonecutters Barracks Under Order Senior Officer Church of England Military Hospital Bowen Road 6 p.m. Chaplain. Church of England Lyman Barracks 11.15 a.m. Chaplain. Church of England Kowloon St. Andrew's Church 10 a.m. Offg. Clergyman. Church of England Mount Austin Barracks Under Order. Senior Officer. Baptist Victoria Union Church 11 a.m. Offg. Clergyman Congregationalist Victoria Union Church 11 a.m. Offg. Clergyman Presbyterian Victoria Union Church 11 a.m. Offg. Clergyman Wesleyan Victoria Wesleyan Church 10.15 a.m. Offg. Clergyman Roman Catholic Victoria St. Joseph's Church 10 a.m. Offg. Clergyman Roman Catholic Kowloon Rosary Church 9 a.m. Offg. Clergyman.

DAY BY DAY.

"THE HEART OF A WISE MAN SHOULD RESEMBLE A MIRROR, WHICH REFLECTS EVERY OBJECT WITHOUT BEING SULLIED BY ANY."—Confucius.

The Mails.

English Mail.—Left per s.s. Delta at noon to-day.

French Mail of November 18.—Delivered in London on December 19.

Siberian Mail.—Closes per s.s. Yngchow at 5 p.m. to-day.

American, Canadian and Siberian Mail.—Closes per s.s. Chiyo Maru at 11 a.m. on Monday.

Latest Advertisements.

Consignees' notices concerning the s.s. Ghazee and the s.s. Bealawes appear on Page 7.

To Consignees.

Consignees of cargo by the s.s. Paul Leat are reminded that goods remaining undelivered after Monday will be subject to rent.

No Name.

"A Reader's" letter will be published if he complies with the rule which asks for the name of a correspondent, not necessarily for publication.

Resigned.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has accepted the resignation by Lieutenant J. A. T. Plummer of his Commission in the Hongkong Volunteer Corps.

General Holiday.

It is notified that His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government-in-Council has appointed Saturday, December 27, 1913, to be observed as a General Holiday.

Confirmation Service.

To-morrow the Bishop of Victoria will hold a confirmation service in St. John's Cathedral, the new communicants will take their first communion on Christmas Day.

Embargo on Dogs.

It is notified that no dog brought from Shanghai will be permitted to land in this Colony for a period of six months from December 27, 1913.

Competition Closes.

Entries for the Christmas Competition promoted by the Nestlé and Anglo-Swiss Condensed Milk Company close to-day in order that the prize may be awarded before Christmas.

For the Public's Convenience.

In order to suit the convenience of the public during the Christmas season, Messrs. Moutrie and Co. are keeping their store open on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday until 6 p.m.

New Railway Station.

Tenders are to be received at the Colonial Secretary's Office up to noon on January 31, 1914, for the contract for the building of the terminal station at Kowloon Point for the Kowloon-Canton Railway (British section).

Dramatic Reading.

Dickens' Christmas Carol will be the matter of a dramatic reading by the Rev. C. H. Hickling on Monday at 8 p.m. in the Reading Room of the Y.M.C.A., Alexandra Building. Anyone interested (lady or gentleman) is freely invited.

Marine Official Resigns.

Mr. W. H. Phipps, special financial adviser of the Philippine Assembly, has resigned his position and proposes to leave the islands on the steamship China. He intends to connect with the North German Lloyd liner Prinzess Alice at Hongkong and, accompanied by his wife and daughter, will return to the United States via Europe.

Memorial Insured.

On a recommendation made by the Governor, General to the president of the Municipal Board of Manila, that had been unanimously passed a resolution conferring upon the botanical gardens the name of Mohan gardens in honour to the memory of Mr. John O. Mohan, former member of the Board and at one time superintendent of the Department of Sanitation and Transportation, who has just died.

THE "TELEGRAPH'S" ACROSTIC.

PILLARS.

The Ruler of the King's Naves.
Cut upon the (naval?) Spree!

1.—Luna's daughter wed the West Wind and a little son she bore.

2.—Here a graven stone—a seal perhaps. I know Only one thing, sure about it: It is not a cameo.

3.—Women are doing things, If Eve were here. She'd discover too many things happening I fear.

4.—If the cap doesn't fit; the example's astray—It's inapt and as well were a mile away.

5.—Here the pilgrims assembled to quaff the good ale. Ere they started their journey and each told his tale.

6.—He "to keep the Britons' back." Cast up that mighty mound of 80 miles in length.

7.—In our dotage they study us Science—forsooth—Of the deeds we perform when we hark back to youth.

[Answer on Monday]

1888.

HONGKONG TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO.

Compiled from the "Hongkong Telegraph" files for the Week Ending December 20, 1888.

No Distinctions. December 18.—"A Foreigner" writes: "Sir, I have read that letter which was wrote to the paper about de males. It was not rite. Dere was other mates vat hav Englische certificates who can do shust as much as der Englische. Dere is no reason why you try run down de foreigners. Dere is no difference betwixt a foreign certificate and an Englische one. De one is shust as good as de other."

The editorial comment is as follows:—"We give our correspondent's letter as nearly verbatim as possible. It speaks for itself. But we never run down foreigners because they are foreigners—we only strike at frauds and humbugs, and draw no distinctions between the home grown and foreign article."

"With Care." December 19.—Thomas Atkins has been suffering again. A servant of the B. Company mess was found yesterday with three lines of corned beef in his blouse. He made a long explanation at the Magistrate's to-day, and was remanded, marked "With Care."

Shops for the Peak. December 15.—In the course of a note urging that a move Peakwards ought in every sense to be encouraged, appears the following:—"We should expect the Peak to be habitable to all the respectable classes of citizens; and to this end shops and a market are indispensable there. The Peak inhabitants, like every body else, should make virtue out of necessity and allow a modicum of shopkeepers and market attendants within defined precincts and under stringent sanitary and hygienic regulations. With a good market, shops, cheap houses, good light, water, police, and the tramway, all combined with the invigorating and bracing atmosphere which can be enjoyed at an elevation of fifteen hundred feet above the fever-dens of Taiping-shan, with a position to the windward of the summer monsoon, and on the weather side of the winter blast, with a thirty miles horizon of deep blue sea studded all over with islets, with mountains rising on mountains on the northern side—all these conveniences being only counterbalanced by a little mist and fog during a couple of months in the year—we think the Peak would become the most desirable locality for residence, for health, rest and relaxation."

HIS EXCELLENCY'S RETURN.

Expected to Arrive Next Saturday.

It is notified in Garrison orders, for information, that His Excellency Sir F. H. M. M. K.O.M.G., Governor and Commander-in-Chief, is expected to arrive at Hongkong on Saturday, next.

The 2nd Bn. D.C.L.I. will furnish a guard of honour consisting of 1 Captain, 2 Subalterns, 100 rank and file, with regimental colour and band, and a salute of 17 guns will be fired from the saluting battery as His Excellency lands.

1888.

SHARE REPORT.

The quotations which follow are from the Hongkong Telegraph for December 20, 1888. Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.—178 per cent. premium, sellers.

Union Insurance Society of Canton.—\$90 per share, sellers.

China Traders' Insurance Company.—\$73 per share, buyers.

North China Insurance—11s. 2d. 290 per share, buyers.

Canton Insurance Company, Ltd.—\$97 per share, buyers.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company.—\$340 per share, buyers.

China Fire Insurance Company.—\$78 per share, sellers.

Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company.—39 per cent. premium, buyers.

Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company.—\$222 per share, buyers.

China and Manila Steamship Company.—\$153 per share, sellers.

Hongkong Gas Company.—\$135 per share, sellers.

Hongkong Hotel Company.—\$170 per share, nominal.

Indo-China S.N. Company.—17 per cent. dis., sellers.

Douglas Steamship Company.—\$65 per share, buyers.

China Sugar Refining Company, Ltd.—\$104 per share, buyers.

Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Ltd.—\$60 per share, sellers.

Hongkong Ice Company.—\$101 per share, buyers.

Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd.—\$81 per share, sellers.

Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company.—73 per cent. premium, sellers.

GERMAN ADMIRAL LANDS.

Pays a visit to Government House to-day.

A guard of honour composed of the D.C.L.I. with colour, attended at Blake Pier this morning at the reception of Admiral Von Spee, who landed from the S.M.S. Scharnhorst. Captain Conolly, A.D.C. to His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, Mr. Claud Severn, and Major Stewart who represented the Officer commanding the Forces, Major General Kelly, who was away witnessing the Artillery practice, met the Admiral and escorted him to Government House.

Later in the morning His Excellency returned the visit to the Scharnhorst.

Governor General of Indo China Leaves.

At 4.30 this afternoon, the Governor General of Indo-China, leaves Blake Pier for the Montcalm. He will be attended by Captain Conolly, A.D.C. to His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, Mr. Claud Severn. A guard of honour of a hundred of the 8th Rajput will be formed.

BELLIOS GIRLS' SCHOOL

New Wing Occupied on 20th Anniversary.

Chinese parents in Hongkong are becoming increasingly convinced of the benefits and advantages of placing modern educational facilities in the way of their daughters, and one of the consequences of this is that there is a greatly enhanced demand on girls' schools just now. The Bellios Girls' School has especially felt the effects, and despite the fact that the fees have been doubled this year, there has been no decrease in the attendance.

To cope with the growth in the number of students it has been necessary to erect a new wing to the north of the school building; and, by a happy coincidence, the extension was ready for occupation on Thursday, which was the 20th anniversary of the opening of the school itself. The school, it may be recalled, was presented to the Government by the late Mr. E. R. Bellios at a cost of \$30,000; and the extension has involved an expenditure of no less a sum than \$55,000, this being borne by the Government. There was no formal celebration on Thursday, but the scholars were given a half-holiday, and were entertained to tea and games in the new compound. The Director of Education, Mr. Irving, put in an appearance during the course of the afternoon, and the arrangements were in the hands of Mrs. Tuteber, the Head Mistress, who, it is interesting to recall, was also present at the opening of the school itself twenty years ago, the ceremony then being performed by Sir William Robinson, who was Governor of Hongkong at that time.

The new wing has been built on what was formerly the school compound. It is of modern English design, and in this respect it is the only building of its kind in the Colony. Its fittings, ventilation, lighting, etc., are in accordance with latest ideas. Constructed of reinforced concrete, it is immune against the ravages of fire or white ants, and it forms a magnificent addition to the school premises. All the staircases are of stone, the windows are of a type to allow of the regulation of ventilation, and electric light is installed throughout. The wing is two storeys in height, though it has been so erected as to allow of the addition of a third storey should the need arise. The roof is flat. Between the new wing and the school building there is a splendid playing compound for the scholars, and this has the great merit of being quite private, not being overlooked in any way. Another great convenience is a covered-in portion, called the "Cloisters," which will serve admirably as a playing-space in the heat of summer or on rainy days. The new wing comprises eight class-rooms, teachers' rooms, modern tiled lavatories, etc., and it provides accommodation for 320 students. So with the old and new buildings combined, the school is now able to offer accommodation for over 800 pupils.

THE MISSING BOOTS.

A Chinese woman at the Tai-ping Shan Theatre took off her boots and placed her feet on the bench in front for greater comfort. A man alongside her pretended to be asleep until a favourable opportunity presenting itself, it is alleged, he seized the boots and walked out. He was subsequently caught but the boots were not then in his possession. This morning he appeared before Mr. Magistrate at the Police Court and was remanded until Monday.

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE.

The Annual Prize Distribution.

His Excellency, the Officer Administering the Government, Mr. Chai Siu-wei, distributed the prizes to the successful students at St. Joseph's College, yesterday evening. His Excellency who was attended by Captain Conolly A.D.C., Mr. Lordship Bishop Pozzani Mr. E. A. Irving, (Director of Education), Major Bowen and Mr. J. J. Liria, Portuguese Consul, was met in the College grounds by fifty members of the St. Joseph's Boy Scouts under the command of Scoutmaster A. J. Edwards, and Assistant Scoutmaster Roylance, and a very smart guard of honour they formed. The Chief Scoutmaster is Major Bowen. The hall was decorated for the occasion and a very nice musical programme was arranged.

Brother Adrian said:— Before submitting to you our Annual Report for the year 1913, I beg to express on behalf of the masters and pupils of the College our keen sense of the loss this institution has sustained in the retirement of the Headmaster Rev. Brother Christian. For the five years he laboured in the cause of education in this Colony, he raised St. Joseph's College to a high standard of efficiency, and by his enthusiastic optimism and noble-hearted self-sacrifice secured the good will and hearty co-operation of the masters and pupils. We gratefully extend to him our heartfelt greetings and cordially wish him health and happiness in his new home.

The past year has been on the whole, a successful one for the College. Our average attendance remains steady though the number of pupils admitted has been somewhat less than last year. The average attendance in the Higher and Remove Classes was 294, and in the Lower Classes 306. This is practically the first year in which we are unable to report increase in numbers, but it may be accounted for by the fact that our present accommodation is taxed to the utmost. For this reason we have been reluctantly obliged to refuse admission to a large number of deserving applicants whom we should otherwise have been much pleased to admit. I have to congratulate our boys on their regularity and excellent esprit de corps. I have noticed with much pleasure the cordial and sympathetic relations that exist between the teachers and their pupils. This has a very important influence on the moulding of the character of the pupils, and goes far towards the abolition of punishment—the ideal aimed at by all good teachers, and to doubt accounts in great measure for the excellent results the school has obtained in the past.

With the exception of the retirement of the Headmaster, Rev. Brother Christian, no important changes have taken place in the staff. We have at present 13 European masters and 6 local teachers. This gives an average of 28 pupils to one teacher, which I think is very satisfactory. It is very gratifying to record the zeal and devotedness displayed by the members of the staff, all of whom have worked successfully for the welfare of the College.

The annual Promotion Examination was held on July 21st and the four succeeding days. 462 boys sat for the examination, and 399 or 86 per cent. passed, and were accordingly promoted to higher classes. As I had not yet arrived in Hongkong, I am unable to report in detail on the work of the pupils at the examination, but judging from the marks obtained, I should say that the result was highly creditable both to the masters and pupils. In June the Inspector of Schools visited the College and conducted an examination. The Director of Education in his Annual Report commented favourably on the work of the pupils at this examination.

I am pleased to be able to report general progress and increase in numbers in our Oxford Classes. The result of the Oxford Local Examination held in July was very satisfactory. We presented 15 Seniors, 24 Juniors, and 31 Preliminaries. Of these, 15 Seniors, 21 Juniors, and 28 Preliminaries of 91 per cent. passed.

Our Shorthand and Typewriting classes have been well

SPECIAL CABLES.

THE TROUBLE IN NANKING.

GENERAL CHANG HSUN'S DEMANDS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, Received Dec 20.

General Chang Hsun has resigned his new post as Inspector of the Yangtze, and demands 300,000 Taels before leaving Nanking.

The Governor is understood to have promised \$200,000 and the Chamber of Commerce \$100,000.

There are feelings of apprehension in Nanking, but a settlement is anticipated.

attended during the year. Examinations were conducted by the shorthand and Typewriting Committee and certificates awarded. These classes are becoming more and more popular seeing that there is such demand in the various business centres of the Far East for intelligent and efficient Shorthand-Typists. As a thorough knowledge of English is essential for proficiency in these arts, only Senior students are eligible for admission to the Shorthand class. We have 25 boys in the Typewriting class, and 20 in the Shorthand class.

While attention has been given to the moral and intellectual development of our pupils, their physical training has not been neglected. Our thanks are due to the military authorities who have placed at our service a drill master whose lessons in physical culture are much appreciated. During the summer months swimming was indulged in as usual twice a week, and during the Midsummer holidays we had several picnics to various places of interest in and around Hongkong, which were thoroughly enjoyed by all. The College Club for indoor games is well patronised and affords a pleasant resort in rainy weather. Our football teams have done good work, though their efforts have not always been crowned with success. We have again entered two teams for the Shield and Cup Competition, and I am pleased to say that so far they have given a good account of themselves. Our Tennis Club has played some good games during the year, and regular practice is kept up. The health of our boys has been excellent, thanks to the unremitting care of Doctors Muller, Hoob, and Van Wiesel and to the regular practice of outdoor exercise.

The Boy Scouts organization has been inaugurated at the College through the instrumentality of Major Bowen, Mr. J. A. Edwards and Mr. G. Roylance. Judging by the interest shown by the majority of the boys since the movement was started, I have reason to hope that the Scouts will "stick it," and be a credit to the College and the Colony. I avail myself of this opportunity to thank Dr. A. H. Coleman and Sergeant F. J. Brookes for the valuable assistance they are rendering by their interesting and instructive lectures on First Aid and Map Reading.

The St. Joseph's College Association of past pupils took a definite form on the 9th of September last, and already it has helped to promote the interests of the College by founding a Scholarship called "The Old Boys Scholarship," which for the year is to be given to Class 4.

Before closing I wish to bring to your kind notice the following few words written by Bro. James, Visitor of the Christian Brothers' Schools, under date 6th December 1913:—

"I notice with regret that the school building is overcrowded, and that it has been found necessary to sacrifice a portion of the dormitory for classroom accommodation. This has naturally caused great inconvenience and discomfort. I recommend the erection of a new wing in order to relieve the congestion, and also make provision for a suitable playground which I consider very necessary."

These words of Bro. James express exactly our present position. I look hopefully forward for aid to accomplish this much-needed addition. Assisted by a substan-

tial grant from our good Government, and by the help of the many benefactors of the College, I expect in the near future to complete this much-needed wing and played.

I now remains for me to thank you, Sir, for the honour of your presence here to-day, and for your kindness in distributing the prizes to our successful students. I thank His Lordship the Bishop for the interest he has shown in the work of the College, of which his presence here to-day is an evidence. I also thank the following gentlemen who have generously contributed to our Prize Fund:— His Lordship the Bishop; Mr. N. R. Mody; Consul-General J. J. Leiria; St. Joseph's College Association; Mr. Balillos; Mr. J. H. Rochoa; Mr. Gonzales de Bernedo, Consul for Chili; Mr. J. M. Baato; Mr. G. Sequeira; Mr. Peter Prevost and the past pupils of Manila; Mr. Francisco Tze Yut; Mr. A. Ellis; Mr. Ho Tung; Mr. Ho Fook; Mr. G. Yvanovich; Mr. J. Grace Oxorio; Mr. Sai Yuen-fai; Mr. J. Machado; Mr. Frd. Braga; Mr. Go Quiao; Mr. Cheung Tin-choi; Mr. Wing Sik; Mr. Shang Yat; Mr. J. Lee; Mr. C. E. Warren; Messrs. Kelly and Walsh; Mr. Ellis Kadoorie; Mr. Friedman.

A Gallant Youth.

Previous to addressing the scholars on the annual report, His Excellency presented F. Ocolloca with a gold medal provided by St. Kiong-lam, for saving his life. His Excellency in pinning the medal on the gallant youth's breast said:—I have heard from brother Adrian the account of how you very bravely went into a deep pool of water near Deep Water Bay, and saved the life of Si Kiong-lam, who is here, and Si Kiong-lam in token of the thanks at your having saved his life, has provided this medal, which I have great pleasure in presenting to you. I am sure you will always remember it is a great thing to save life in this way (Cheers).

Limited Accommodation.

His Excellency then went on to say, they had all listened to Brother Adrian's report with very great pleasure. It showed that St. Joseph's College was in a most flourishing condition and it was only limited by the area in which it stood, or else it would have a great many more pupils. He shared the regret which was expressed by Brother Adrian at the departure of Brother Christian whom he got to know quite well during his first year in Hongkong. Referring to the matter of limited accommodation, he said that although he had the Director of Education in front of him, and although they had had no previous conference upon which he could launch out—he had not the slightest idea of what his views were—he felt perfectly free to say what he liked.

A Good Plan.

He thought it would be quite a good plan to devote those excellent buildings to the higher classes, and to provide elsewhere for the lower ones, so that the lower ones would be a sort of preparatory school for St. Joseph's College. That had been done elsewhere, where he had come from, with excellent results, and he was sure that in Hongkong—and not only there but elsewhere—it would have to be done. He was glad to see the excellent results of the Oxford classes, mentioning that all those who had presented themselves for the Senior ex-

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DAIRY FARM NEWS.

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Minister's Death in Vestry.
The Rev. Dr. Robert Craig, of Edinburgh, was found dead in the vestry of the Morning-side Congregational Church, Edinburgh, recently. Dr. Craig had gone to address a young man's meeting, and one of the young men on entering the room found him sitting in the chair dead. Dr. Craig was 78, and death was due to heart failure. He was born at Kilmarnock, and educated at Glasgow, and filled ministerial charges in Glasgow, Salford, and Edinburgh. Seven years ago he retired from the ministry or B.1. Place Congregational Church, Edinburgh.

Trade Among Pacific Nations.
Washington, October 31.—As an intimation of the vast trade that will be brought close to the doors of American manufacturers and merchants with the opening of the Panama Canal, the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce to-day issued a statement of the world trade done by the countries washed by the Pacific Ocean. The total of this trade cannot fully be gathered, but the imports into the various Pacific ports in 1902 exceeded two and one-third billions of dollars.

The Bureau discovered, also, that the consuming power of the countries virtually doubled in a little more than a decade. It also ascertained that although the United States was getting its normal share of the trade, the percentage which it supplies of the imports "shows" comparatively little change.

Manufactured goods form the greater part of the supplies sent

To-day's Advertisements

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

The Steamship "BENLAWERS."

From ANTWERP, MIDDLESBRO, LONDON & STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 26th inst., will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Under-signed on or before the 31st inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 26th inst., at 11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will counter-signed by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 19th Dec., 1913. [1085]

"MONGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE STEAMSHIP "GHAZIE," FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL & STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of "Holt's Wharf" at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 27th inst., will be subject to rent.

All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Under-signed on or before the 24th prox., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 27th inst., at 11 a.m.

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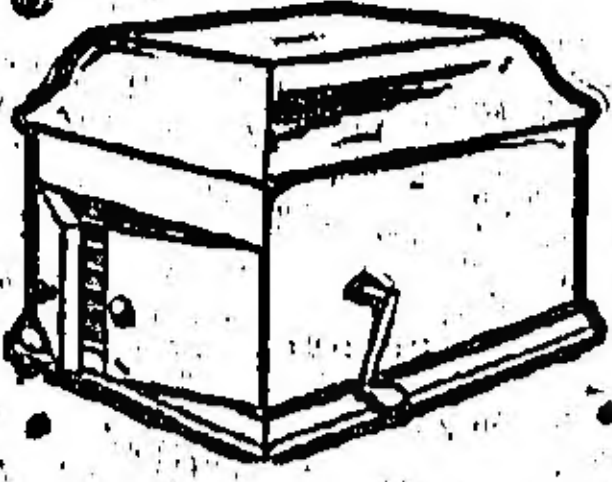
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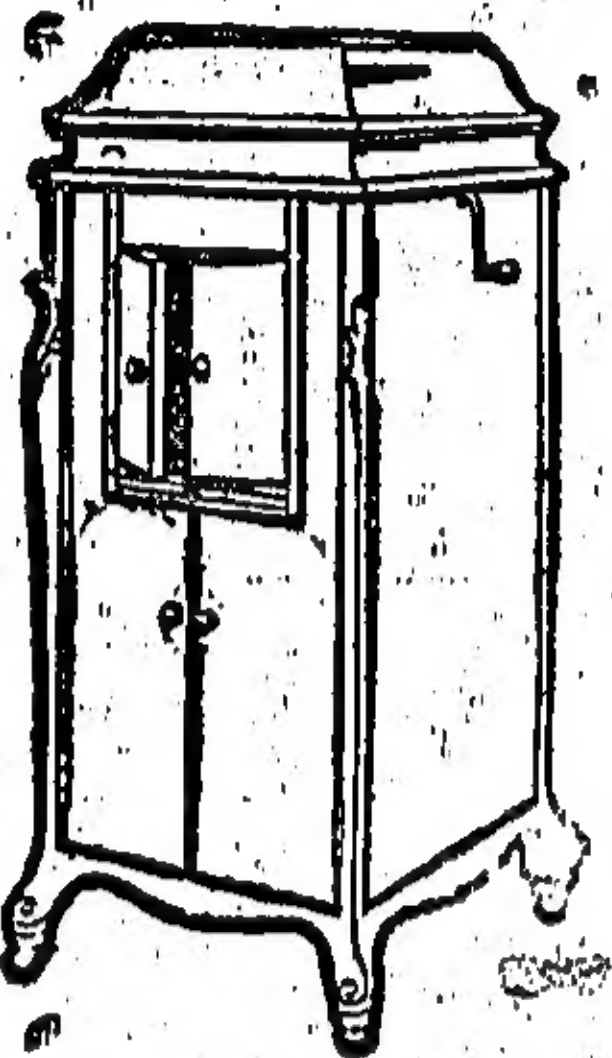
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has been held to be the sole property of Messrs. A. S. WATSON & Co., Limited, of Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong, and in and by the same Judgment it was also held that Mr. HO WA SANG who as the sole Partner in the SUI CHEONG Firm of No. 41, Wing Lok Street, Hongkong, claimed such Trade Mark as his Property had no right or title thereto whatsoever. NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that as the Registered owners of such Trade Mark-Messrs. A. S. WATSON & Co., Limited, will forthwith institute legal proceedings against any firm or person who may in any way infringe such Trade Mark whether by colourable imitation or otherwise howsoever.

A. S. WATSON & Co., Ltd.,
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS
& SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 16th Dec., 1913. [1091]

Notice

THE CHINESE TELEGRAPH ADMINISTRATION.

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on and after 1st January, 1914, all telegraphic addresses which were registered at this Administration before 27th September, 1913, and which have not been renewed since by payment of a fee of \$12 for each address, will be cancelled and telegrams with cancelled addresses will not be delivered.

By order,

WONG TING-CHAN,
Local Manager.

Notices

WE have much pleasure in announcing to our numerous patrons and customers that we have opened

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D. CHELLARAM,
Hongkong, 26th July, 1913.

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Those who intend learning the Chinese language are requested to write to "Hongkong Telegraph" office or direct to 37 Hollywood Road, 1st floor, Hongkong, 29th Jan., 1912.

KOWLOON CANTON RAILWAY,
(British Section).

NOTICE.

ON and from MONDAY Dec. 22nd, 1913, and until further notice an additional train will leave Kowloon at 7.30 p.m. for Tai Po Market calling at Yau Ma Tei at 7.35 p.m. Tai Po at 7.59 p.m. and arriving Tai Po Market at 8.04 p.m. The return train will leave Tai Po Market at 8.09 p.m. calling at Tai Po at 8.12 p.m., Shatin at 8.26 p.m., Yau Ma Tei at 8.38 p.m. and arriving Kowloon at 8.45 p.m.

By order,
H. P. WINSLOW,
Manager.
Kowloon, 15th Dec., 1913. [1076]

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IN THE MATTER OF GEO. FENWICK & CO. LTD. (In Liquidation).

NOTICE is hereby given in pursuance of Section 179 of the Companies Ordinance, 1865, that a general meeting of the abovesaid Company will be held at the Offices of the Liquidators, No. 5 Queen's Road Central, on Tuesday, the 6th day of January, 1914, at 12 o'clock noon precisely for the purpose of having on account showing the manner in which the winding up has been conducted and the property of the Company disposed of laid before such meeting, and for the purpose of considering and approving the proposed final return of \$3.50 per share on the issued Capital, determining the Liquidators remuneration, hearing any explanation that may be given by the Liquidators and also of determining by extraordinary resolution the manner in which the Books, Accounts and Documents of the Company and of the Liquidators thereof shall be disposed of.

Hongkong, the Fourth day of December, 1913.

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Interest Allowed on Current Account.

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EISHI ONO, Manager.
Hongkong, 30th Sept., 1913. [13]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

Incorporated by Royal Charter 1853.

HEAD OFFICE.—LONDON.

Paid-up Capital £1,200,000
Reserve Fund £1,700,000
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A. S. HEWETT, Acting Manager.
Hongkong, 11th April, 1912. [22]

Notice.

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SHEWAN TOMES & Co. General Managers.
Hongkong, 19th March, 1908. [32]

PEAK TRAMWAY CO. LIMITED.

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Direction der Disconto Gesellschaft.

Dresdner Bank.

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R. TIMMESSCHEIDT, Manager.
Hongkong, 9th Oct. 1911. [2]

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Subscribed " 1,125,000

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